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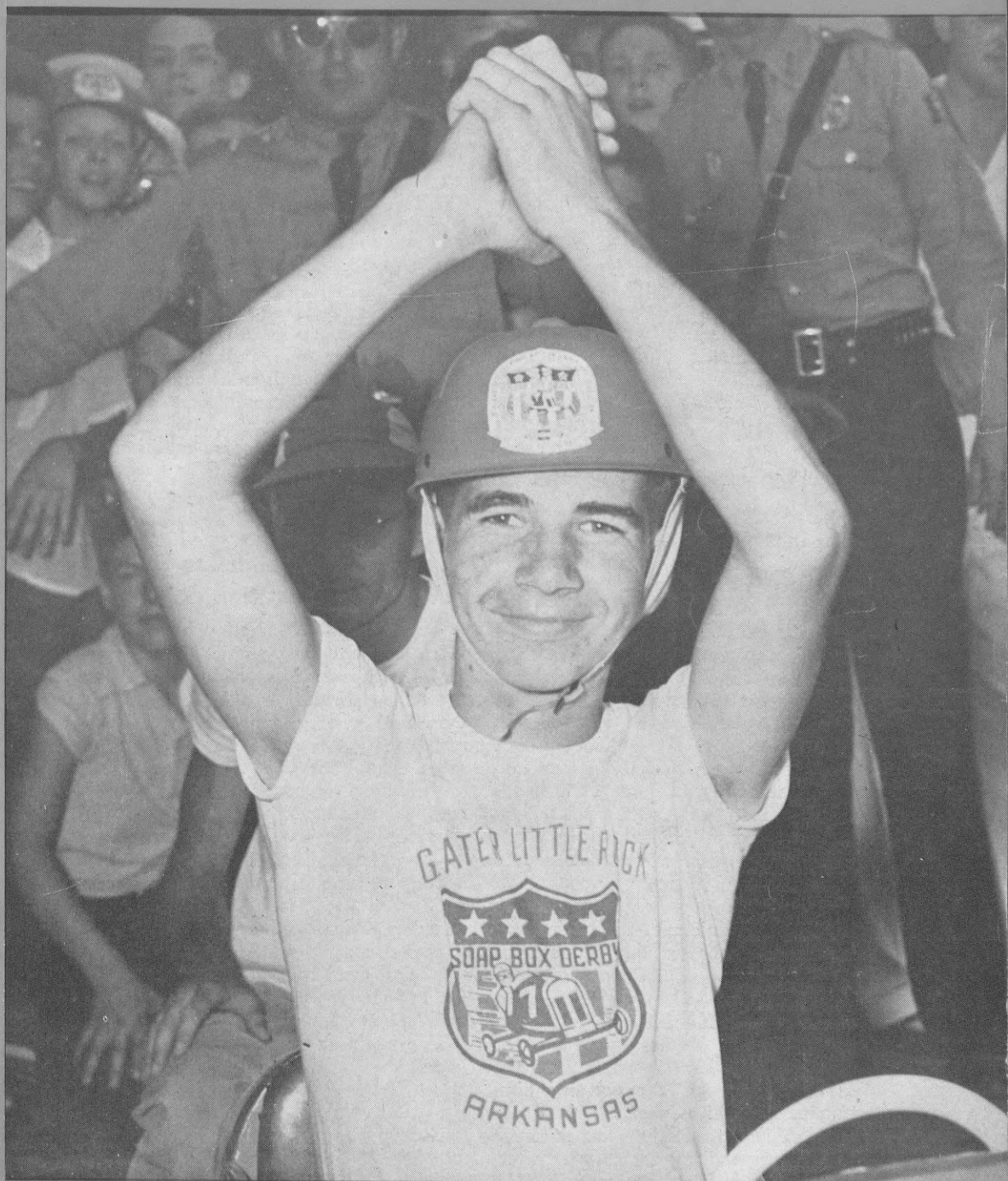
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The Editor's Page

Communication

In the education department this month (page 11) *THE SILENT WORKER* is reprinting a portion of an article by Dr. Edna S. Levine, which appeared in the *American Journal of Occupational Therapy*. The excerpt herein is that part which referred to the deaf. The article should be of interest to all educators and to all parents of deaf children. Dr. Levine, noted psychologist at the Lexington School for the Deaf in New York, has worked with deaf children for many years.

To this writer's mind the most touching part of the article is the description of the deaf child's struggle to acquire a means of communication. At first, "he has no words, he knows no words, he hears no words . . . He cannot break through to the world about excepting through an inadequate code of gestures and pantomime." With this handicap the little deaf child enters school, where "education is his salvation and language his emancipation." The author then tells of the tedious process by which the deaf child acquires a means of communication.

Like most educational writers, the author fails to mention the source from which the deaf child acquires within a comparatively short time a ready means of fluent communication, by which he is able to express his wants and feelings, and through which he begins accumulating a store of information almost from his first day at school. This means of communication is the sign language. It is not "an inadequate code of gestures and pantomime." It is a language in itself, as adequate as a means of communication as is the English language, or any other language. While the child struggles for months and even years to build up a speaking vocabulary, concentrating on *words*, rather than on information, he picks up from his playmates and schoolmates outside the classroom a command of the sign language which is as powerful a force in the beginning of his education as is all his concentration in the classroom. It is the sign language, which first brings to the deaf child a means of expressing himself, and frees him from the chains of silence. Ability to do the same thing by speech or by writing comes long afterwards, and it is for this reason that the deaf cherish their sign language. It is for this reason they adamantly reject any effort to deny them their use of the sign language.

Parents of many deaf children are naturally reluctant to see their children learn the sign language, but if they only realized the comfort, happiness, and en-

lightenment it brings the child while he struggles for other means of communication, they would value it as highly as does the child. Educators and writers would do the deaf an invaluable service if they told the truth about the sign language and its value to the deaf.

The Answer Box

This month *THE SILENT WORKER* introduces Bernard Bragg as the new editor of The Answer Box, page 31. Mr. Bragg, a graduate of the New York School for the Deaf at White Plains, and of Gallaudet College, where he developed his journalistic talents as editor of *The Buff and Blue*, college student publication. He is now on the teaching staff at the California School at Berkeley.

Rushed with his first assignment, he gathered the replies to this month's question from sons and daughters of the deaf in his neighborhood in California, and they present some interesting views.

Mr. Bragg is a welcome addition to *THE SILENT WORKER* staff and we are sure readers will continue to enjoy the popular column he edits.

Virginia Campaign for School Separation

The Virginia Association of the Deaf is in the midst of an energetic campaign to have a new school for the blind erected in Virginia so that the deaf and the blind will no longer receive their education in the same school. The Virginia School for Deaf and Blind is one of the few schools remaining in the United States housing both the deaf and the blind. In most other states it was long ago recognized that the two groups, having nothing in common, should not be thrown together in a single school. Keeping them together is a throw-back to the olden days when the deaf and the blind were considered helpless subjects of charity, and were sent to "institutions" not for an education, but for *care*. In the Virginia campaign, the state Association of Workers for the Blind is working with the Virginia Association of the Deaf.

Strangely enough, the deaf and the blind in Virginia are working for a law which is already in the books in Virginia. As long ago as 1922 the state legislature adopted a law providing for the separation of the schools and land was purchased for a new school for the blind. Appropriation for erection of the school has never been made.

The National Association of the Deaf has been working with the Virginia

Association for the past three or four years. It outlined an expansive publicity campaign for the Virginia Association two or three years ago. Recently, the Association has engaged publicity experts within the state, and has renewed the campaign. The campaign will require a considerable amount of money and the Association is asking for help from anyone interested in the cause. Contributions may be sent to Robert A. Wilson, the public relations representative, at 3007 Parkwood Avenue, Richmond 21, Virginia.

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TOP-NOTCH HOBBYISTS

**Akron Couple Spend Their Idle Hours
at Interesting Diversion**

AMONG THE DEAF of Akron, Ohio, there is no one so well known as a collector of salt and pepper shakers as Mrs. Harley W. Smith, better known as Marguerite Kau Smith. And in the field of watch repairing, only one deaf Akronite stands out—Harley W. Smith.

Let's go to their abode and view their hobbies! As we enter the hallway, we can see the china cupboard in the dining room, full of the sets of shakers. As we enter the dining room, we behold the arrays of shakers here in the cupboard, there in the china closet, and, last of all, the beautiful sight of hundreds, pardon me, thousands, of shakers all in a shiny new glass counter case.

Hundreds of shakers everywhere! The show case is full of different sets; the bookcase, glassed in, is literally filled to the brim with the seasoning shakers!

Oh! Oh! look, there is a bottle of ink, upset, spilling onto the table!

Wait a minute!

That ink blot does not seem to spread at all!

Let's look at that again! Oh, you fooled us, Kau!

That is a set of salt and pepper shakers, the bottle is the salt one, while the blot is the pepper shaker!

Marguerite said she started the collection in 1945 when she was bequeathed a set of beautiful gold-topped initialed salt and pepper shakers belonging to her grandmother.

The collecting has proved to be of endless fun to the Smiths, for, on their annual vacation trips, they search for unusual and odd sets to add to their collection. They brought more than 70 different sets from one of their Western trips, one year.

Let's look at the shakers again! What is that funny shaker with the piece of steel in it?

Oh, that with its mate was swiped from Gallaudet College dining room way back

in 1918 by Harley. What is that steel for? To stir up the damp salt! That is unique!

Marguerite said that the most valuable shakers in her collection are beautiful ivory ones from the Chinatown of San Francisco. The funniest set is a toothbrush and toothpaste; the honor of the second funniest goes to the apple and the worm (coming out of the apple), each one being a shaker. The most unusual ones are the set of deer horns hand carved from bone of Alaska; a set of real cactus from the West, and a set of miniature real Mason jars.

At the table there are always some sets of shakers to signify the occasion. For a sewing circle, Mrs. Smith uses a set of thimble and spool, a set of sewing machines, and a set of hands, clasped to show friendship. For Thanksgiving, she uses the set of turkey and roaster pan, a pair of turkeys, and some other sets to denote this occasion.

The largest shakers in this collection are meat cutting tables, one for salt, and the other for pepper; the next largest are wooden beer steins from New York. The tiniest shakers are a gold pair from a Colorado gold mine, the size of a medicine capsule.

There are also sets of bananas, cucumbers, oranges, tomatoes, rolls, and cakes. There are also pairs of bread and butter, egg and frying pan, stork and baby, egg and chick, and many others too numerous to mention.

Marguerite now has over a thousand sets in her collection, and she is still getting more, as friends, her children, and even strangers send in unusual pairs from different locations of the country.

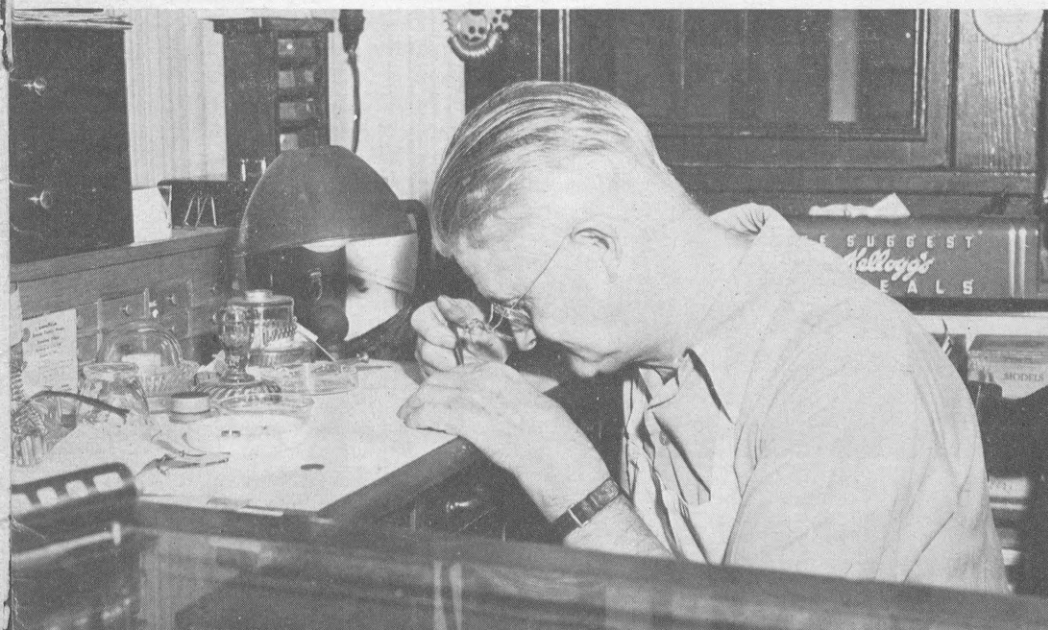


Mrs. Harley Smith of Akron, Ohio, and her collection of salt and pepper shakers.

There are even some sets from China, Canada, Cuba, and Alaska. Some came from Korea, too.

Mrs. Smith, deaf since birth, hailed from Oregon, while Mr. Smith, losing his hearing at the age of 17, due to spinal meningitis, came from Kansas. They met in Gallaudet College, and married in Akron, Ohio, following Marguerite's graduation.

They have five children, all grown up. No deaf family in Akron can boast about the loyalty of their children as can the Smiths, for all their sons served in the armed forces of U.S.A., while their only daughter works for the Navy. The eldest son, Julian Kau, 33 years old, served in the Army during World War II, is now a civil engineer, having recently obtained a position in Pennsylvania, is married to a lovely blonde, now has 2 children, one by the wife's former marriage, and the second — a boy — this year. The second son, Robert Grayson, is 30, served in the Navy during War II, is still in the Navy as a Naval Reserve, at the naval grounds in Akron. He, married to a brunette, has two boys. The third son, Harley II, 29, serves as a parcel post delivery man (mailman to you) in Akron, married, and has 3 sons. Harley served in the Navy during War II. Patricia, the only daughter, is 26, works as a secretary in the Navy department in the Pentagon, in Washington, D.C. She is now married to Harold Henson, a Navy man. Von, 24 years old, served in the Army in Korea,



Harley Smith, recognized as an expert craftsman, began watch repairing as a hobby at eleven years of age.

is now attending Athens University, and is married.

The Smiths have six grandsons, not a single granddaughter.

Mrs. Smith does not spend her entire free time in collecting, for she takes time out to help with programs and plays at the Akron Club of the Deaf, and at the Akron Community Sunday School for the Deaf. She is considered good in giving stories; she gives a good dramatic interpretation of poems. And, moreover, she has regular Red Cross meetings at her place every Thursday, sewing garments for Children's Hospital.

Now to the hobby of Harley—watch repairing. How did he venture on this hobby? Let's ask him!

When he was a lad of 11 years, he was very curious about an old grandfather clock in the hall at his parental home. It belonged to the owner of the house, and had not been running for years. His father repeatedly warned him not to monkey with that clock, but one night curiosity got the very best of Harley and he took the clock down to his room. Not knowing that the clock was wound tight, he started to take it apart.

Imagine his surprise when the springs blew apart, scattering the pieces all over the room! Awakened by the noise, his father came in to see what was the cause of all the din. When he perceived the cause, he told Harley that no one could fix the clock right, and the owner would be very angry. So Harley was determined to put the pieces in; he worked all night, and finally the clock was assembled again. But, wait! there were two or three pieces left! So Harley took the clock apart again and worked on it until all pieces were in their places, and the clock was running again!

In the morning his father came downstairs, and can you imagine how far his jaws dropped in amazement, when he saw that clock ticking minutes away!

From that time on Harley has found it interesting, as well as restful to dis-



Herbert Votaw and "Big Boy," a model locomotive he made and exhibited at a hobby show in Denver, Colo.

semble, clean and repair timepieces which are brought to him nearly every day, in his second floor workshop in his home.

Harley is recognized by professional watch repairmen and jewelers of Akron as one of the best craftsmen at watch and clock repairing. They are still astonished at his skill, since he never took any course in timepiece-repairing! And they marvel at his ability to "see" the ticking for it takes sharp hearing to listen to the time of ticking watches. His customers are usually satisfied.

Harley recently received a 35-year pin from Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., for having served 35 years, mostly as an inspector of tires.

"Hobbyists are a well balanced set of folks, their hobbies providing them with a healthy form of escape from the frustrations, anxieties and uncertainties of every day life. Don't envy the hobbyists—the chances are that they are happier than you. One thing is certain—they have less time for such non-productive pursuits as gossiping, gambling, spending spare time in bars or doing nothing. In their hobbies they find relaxation and enjoyment." (Reprint from the Wingfoot Clan editorial, Sept. 19, 1951)

Herb Votaw's Hobby

Herbert Votaw, of Wheatridge, Colorado, like many another deaf person, has a hobby which keeps him busy in idle hours in his workshop. The locomotive shown on this page, a model of the Union Pacific "Big Boy," world's largest and most powerful steam locomotive, was constructed by Herb during 2100 of those idle hours in 1943 and 1944. It was on display at the Hobby Exposition held in the Denver City Auditorium September 11-13, proceeds of which went to the benefit of the Juvenile Hall.

Herb has sent THE SILENT WORKER complete specifications for construction of "Big Boy" and, believing that they will be of interest to other hobbyists, we are publishing them herewith.—Ed.

This hardwood locomotive model, built and designed as a hobby, is an accurate reproduction in diminutive form, and patterned after one of the 4000 Series four-cylinder, simple articulated types of the Union Pacific freight locomotives. They are known as the "Big Boy," the world's largest and most powerful steam locomotive.

Scale

One inch to the foot (1"=1'-0") is the scale used in the construction. For example, it is twelve times smaller than the original engine.

Engine Specifications and Drawings

A copy of engine specifications and diagrams of the 4000 Series was obtained from a Union Pacific official who also issued a permit for building such a model. A trip was made to Green River, Wyoming, where the big engines are used pulling long freight trains between Greene River and Ogden on the Union Pacific main lines. Upon receipt of a pass to the round-



The two cuts at the left show the Smith family, taken first in 1935 and again, at the right, in 1951, after an interval of 16 years. In both pictures the two in the rear are Robert and Harley II, next, Julian and Mrs. Smith. Seated in the center is Mr. Smith, and in the front are Patricia and Von.

house, I was allowed to view the locomotives (Nos. 4019 and 4008), so I could begin my mechanical sketches. I noted all the measurements, facts and other details of every known part, including the running gear. All such information obtained was compiled and filed in my notebooks. After making a painstaking study of the prototype, many drawings were made of the entire project. This layout work was original and took place in October and November of 1943.

Materials Used in the Model and Cost

Hard and soft wood, sheet metal, steel washers, wire, plastic, glass, cardboard, 2½ pints of LePage's glue, and three tubes of airplane glue. The cost of the material used up to the time of finishing, including paints and enamel, was \$21.75. This does not count the time and labor.

Construction

Construction began in November, 1943, in my own shop, 15 x 12, with machines that consist of wood-turning lathe, jig-saw, bench saw, and complete line of hand and carving tools. All of the 38 wheels, axles, rods, valve gear, truck bodies and drive wheel frames are made of hard wood. The rest is built of good clear pine. Sheet metal was used on cab roof, cylinder jackets, smoke stacks, parts of firebox and tender. Handle bars, railings and piping were made of different sizes of wire. All rivets are made of cardboard, glued on piece by piece and later given several coats of shellac which made them hard. Most wood pieces were made separately by machine and glued together, but a great many of them were carved out in detail. The construction finally ended in January, 1945, after more than 14 months of work.

Number of Pieces

All material (excepting cardboard)	5250
Rivets (made of cardboard)	3000
Total	8250

Number of Hours

Studying the locomotive prototype and making the drawings	275 hours
Construction	1825 hours
Total	2100 hours

Dimensions

Length	133 inches
Height	16¾ inches
Width	10½ inches
Weight (without track)	250 pounds

Track

The track is built in detail of hard wood with 114 ties on a very heavy base 12 feet long.

QUESTIONS AND OPINIONS

on

Parliamentary Procedure

By Edwin M. Hazel

Qualified Parliamentarian, Member, the National Association of Parliamentarians and the Chicago Association of Parliamentarians



(Series No. 7)

A few important points for the newly elected President and Chairman to remember, continued from Series No. 6.

Subsidiary Motions:

(6) *Lay on the Table.* Purpose: To lay aside temporarily a question with the intention of taking it up later during the same meeting or the next meeting. Must be seconded. Is undebatable. Is unamendable. Requires a majority vote. However, "Lay on the table" when properly used (which is seldom) does "Postpone Definitely" — there is no such thing as postponing PERMANENTLY! The motion to lay on the table requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote and should be much easier to "Take from the table," or the motion should be abolished.

(7) *Call for the Previous Question.* Purpose: To close a debate and put to a vote. Must be seconded. Is undebatable. Is unamendable. Requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote.

(8) *Limit or Extend Limits of Debate.* Purpose: To limit time or extend time of debate. Must be seconded. Is undebatable. Requires a two-thirds vote for passage. These motions may be amended by fixing the number or length of speeches or the time the debate shall close, or the length of the extension. To amend requires a majority vote.

(9) *Postpone Definitely, or to a Certain Time.* Purpose: To defer action temporarily. Must be seconded. Is debatable. Is amendable. Requires a majority vote.

(10) *Commit or Refer, or Recommit.* Purpose: To secure the advantage of action by a few members (a small committee), and of greater freedom in debate, thus putting the question into better shape for the assembly to consider than can be accomplished intelligently in the assembly itself. Must be seconded. Is debatable, but the debate must be confined to the motion to commit, not to express the main motion. Requires a majority vote.

(11) *Amend.* Purpose: to change the motion to which it may be applied as to express more nearly the will of the assembly. Must be seconded. Is debatable. Is amendable. Requires a majority vote.

(12) *Postpone Indefinitely.* Purpose: to reject (kill) a question for the session. Must be seconded. Is debatable — opens the main motion to debate. Is unamendable. Requires a majority vote.

(13) *Main or Principal Motion.* Purpose: To bring original business before the assembly for its consideration. Must be seconded. Is debatable. Is amendable. Requires a majority vote. BUT many main motions require more than a "majority vote," e.g., the motion to amend the by-laws, motions to rescind where previous notice has not been given.

Privileged motions and Subsidiary motions possess rank. When any motion is pending, only the motions above are in order. All others below are out of order.

Incidental Motions possess no rank, but may arise out of the other motions and come up incidentally, demanding immediate action before a vote is finally taken on a main motion. They are undebatable with the exception of an appeal in some cases, as will be explained later, and yield generally to the motion to lay on the table.

Questions of Order — (a) Raising a point of order. (b) Appeal. Purpose: (a) To call the Chair's attention to some breach or irregularity in the procedure. That is, when a breach of rules or orders is noticed by a member or an officer, he may rise without recognition and say, "Mr. President (or Mr. Chairman), I rise to a point of order" and then state his complaint. It is always in order even though another member has the floor. When a point of order is raised, the speaker on the floor must stop at once and take a seat or stand aside until the Chair orders him to resume the debate or orders him out of order as the case may be. A point of order does not require a second. It is neither debatable nor amendable. The Chair should always be glad to entertain it and decide accordingly. He renders his decision *immediately* without debate in the following form, "The Chair decides that the point of order is well taken" (or not well taken). If the Chair is in doubt, he may informally ask the opinion of other members on it before announcing the decision. But if unable to decide himself, he may submit it to a vote of the assembly, thus shifting his responsibility to the voters. It requires a majority vote. Remember that the President or Chairman should always speak of himself, while presiding, in the third person as "the Chair," not "I," i.e., "The Chair decides," etc., not "I decide," etc., when rendering his decisions or opinions, or "your president" when mentioning his outside official capacity.

Schools for the Deaf

R. K. Holcomb

The Ontario School

By J. G. Demeza, Superintendent

TO A YOUNG TEACHER who emigrated from Ireland to Canada by way of New York must go the honor of pioneering the education of the deaf in Ontario. John Barrett McCann, born in picturesque Killarney, had been a teacher in Dublin until he set out for America in 1854. He spent a year in New York, where he became acquainted with the president of what was then the New York Institution for the Deaf and Dumb. So interested did he become in the special work of teaching deaf children, that he came to Toronto the next year armed with letters of introduction to prominent Ontario educationalists and determined to establish a school for the deaf in Ontario, then Upper Canada. This he succeeded in doing in Toronto in 1858 with four pupils as a beginning. He was able to arouse sufficient interest in his work to get county and government grants to keep his school operating and growing. Later his school was moved to Hamilton, Ontario. Throughout these years, Mr. McCann and others continued to urge the government of Ontario to accept full responsibility for providing an education for all of Ontario's deaf children. Their efforts were rewarded and on October 20, 1870, the doors of a provincial school for the deaf, newly constructed in Belleville, Ontario, were officially opened by the Lieutenant Governor of the province. By the end of the first year the enrollment of the school had reached 70

pupils. Now, 82 years later, it serves 360 children coming from all parts of Ontario,—from as far west as the Manitoba boundary and from as far east as the Ottawa River.

The school is located, as it was then, on the north shore of the beautiful Bay of Quinte, just west of the city of Belleville on 160 acres of land, 20 acres providing the campus proper and 140 acres being a school farm. The original school building has long since been replaced and many buildings have been added through the years. The present main building, completed in 1923, houses all of the classrooms, the offices, the dining room, kitchen, and assembly hall, and is one of the finest school buildings to be found anywhere. The children live in three separate residences, one for the girls, one for the boys, and one for the junior girls and boys from ages five to eight. The junior residence is the newest of the three. It provides sleeping and recreational accommodations for 32 little girls and 32 little boys in its two wings and has its own dining room and kitchen facilities for the 64 little folk who live in it.

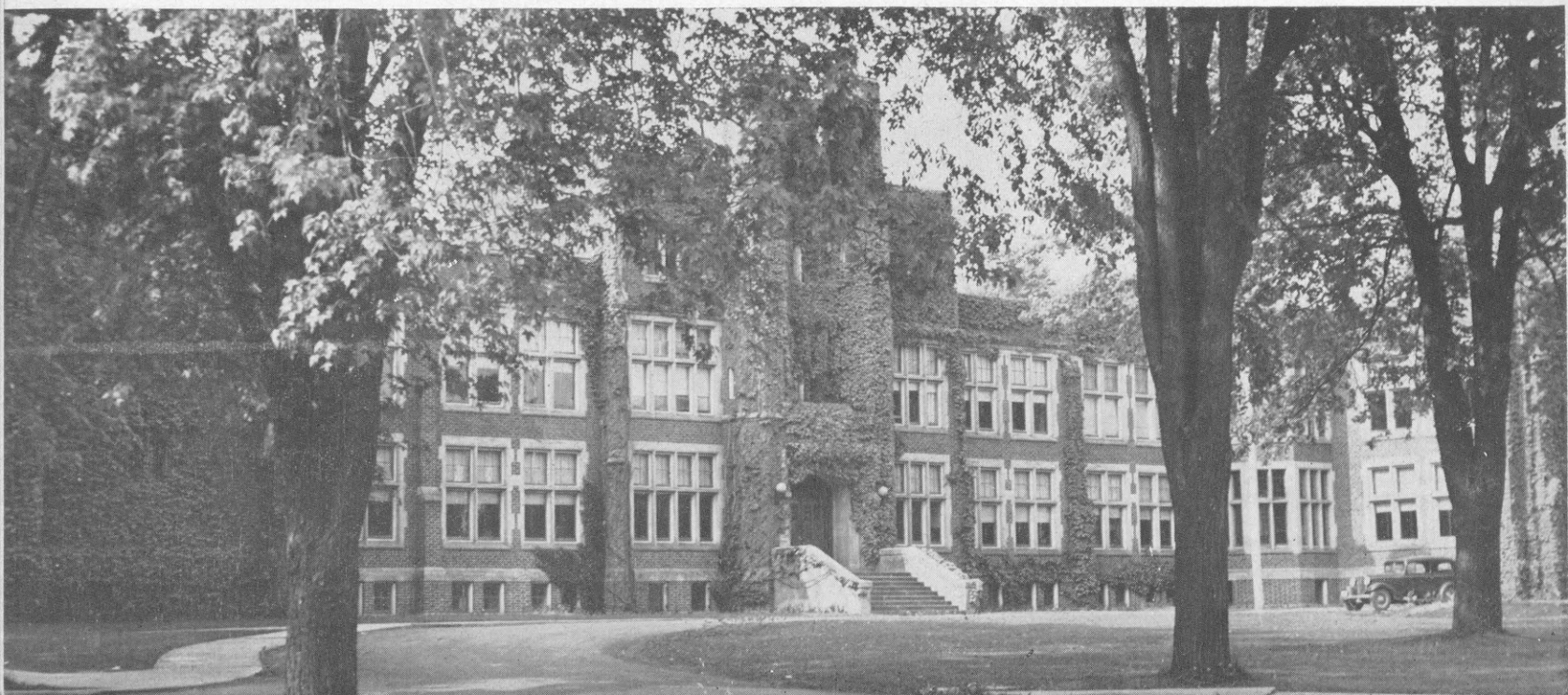
The oldest buildings presently on the campus, built prior to 1880, are the superintendent's residence, the attendants' residence, and those occupied by some of the boys' vocational shops. Although the shop buildings are old, they are well equipped, and modern shop ma-



J. G. Demeza, B.A., B.Ped., has been Superintendent of the Ontario School for the Deaf since January, 1953. Born in North Bay, Ontario, he was educated in Canadian schools, receiving diplomas from North Bay Normal School, Queen's University, and the University of Toronto. He taught in the public schools and was superintendent of public schools in the Township of Teck before becoming Assistant Superintendent of the School for the Deaf in 1950. He studied methods of teaching the deaf in England and European countries, and at Gallaudet College.

chinery is added as needed. Last fall, for example, a new Linotype machine was added to the print shop, a dowelling machine to the woodworking shop, and two metal-turning lathes to the mechanics shop. The typing and business classroom located in the main building is also one of the best equipped of such rooms to be found in schools for the deaf. The equipment here includes 20 typewriters of all makes commonly used in business offices, an electric typewriter, electric duplicator, a mimeograph machine, a card-punch machine, a comptometer, and adding machines of different types.

Standing in a maple-studded campus is the ivy-covered main school building of the Ontario School for the Deaf.



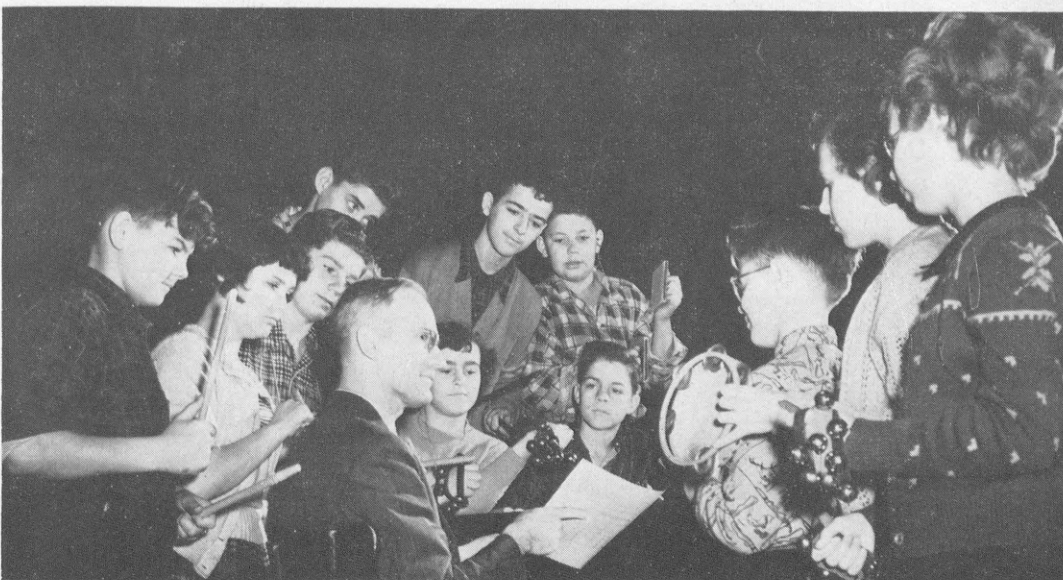
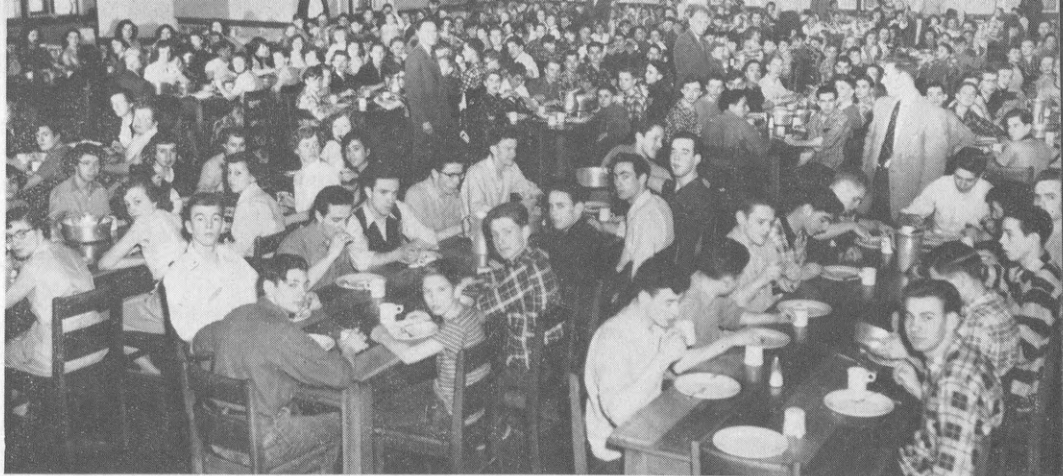
Another building which has a very necessary function in the life of the school is the school hospital. A resident registered nurse is in charge and the school physician calls daily. A consulting otologist and ophthalmologist makes regular visits to the hospital also. The school dentist has a fully equipped dental office in the hospital and spends two half days each week examining and treating the children there. The emphasis in the health program is on prevention, and immunization clinics are held annually. The low incidence of illness at the school is a tribute to the effectiveness of the program.

As its name implies, the Ontario School for the Deaf is a provincial school, operating directly under the Department of Education of Ontario. Like the Ontario School for the Blind and the eight provincial Teachers' Colleges, it comes under the Professional Training Branch of the Department of Education. This is because, like these other provincial schools, it conducts a teacher-training program. This program, of course, is for the purpose of training teachers in the special field of teaching deaf children. The course provided is either a full-time one-year course or a three-year in-service training program, each open only to teachers already qualified to teach in Ontario's regular elementary or secondary schools. At the present time, 11 teachers are receiving this special training, five are in their first year, three are in their second year, and three are in their final years and will be certified as Teachers of the Deaf at the end of this school year.

Since Ontario is such a vast province, many of the children who attend the O.S.D. travel a long way to get to school. Some of those who live in the northwestern part of the province come as far as 1200 miles. Because of the distances involved, most of the pupils are able to return home only twice a year,—for the summer holidays and for the Christmas holidays. For this reason the school remains in session during Easter Week with only Good Friday and Easter Monday being observed as holidays. School opens each fall on the second Wednesday in September and closes on the third Wednesday in June.

Children are admitted to school at the age of five years and usually spend from 12 to 14 years here before graduation. The first five or six years are spent in the Junior School. In the Junior School classes do not rotate and usually the

Pictured at the right are activities at the Ontario School. Top, a busy time in the main dining room when 300 boys and girls sit down for a meal. Next, learning by doing, pupils in a junior classroom carry out a store project. Next, a rhythm class looks over the score of a new number. At bottom, the school's rhythm band performs in conjunction with one of the annual school plays.





teachers of the younger pupils have the same class for two years. The next three or four years are spent in the Intermediate School and the last four or five years, in the Senior School. Classes in both the Intermediate and Senior Schools rotate.

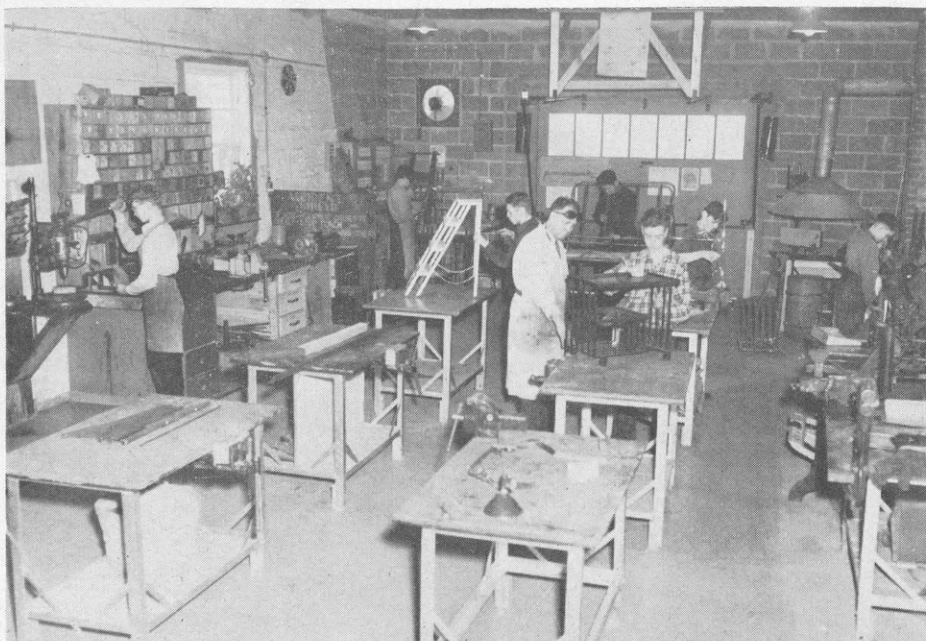
Vocational, or shop, work is introduced in the Intermediate School. The girls in this department have one hour of sewing daily while the boys have an hour of manual training or industrial arts. In addition, during their last two years in the Intermediate School, pupils spend two six-week periods in each of the girls' or boys' shops taking what we call "Exploratory Courses." The aptitudes and interests displayed by each pupil in these Exploratory Courses are taken into account in determining in what vocational work in the Senior School each pupil should receive train-

ing. Other factors considered in making this choice are the pupils' own wishes, the parents' wishes, and the job opportunities in the pupils' home communities. A teacher of the deaf of long experience who is also a qualified Guidance Specialist, is in charge of this phase of the work as well as the supervision of all vocational work.

Vocational work receives a good deal of emphasis in the Senior School. All of the girls in this department receive instruction in sewing, home-economics, beauty culture, and either typing and business machines or laundry work. For the boys the following shop-work is available: carpentry, wood-working, agriculture and mechanics, welding, printing, baking, barbering, and typing. Of course, students in the Senior School continue their academic studies as well as receiving vocational training.

For many years the Ontario School has operated on a daily schedule in which the instructional program is conducted during hours which approximate the regular school day of most Ontario schools. School begins at 8:30 in the morning and closes at 3:20 for the pupils of the Junior and Intermediate Schools and at 4:00 for those of the Senior School. In the Senior School the two-platoon system is used, so that half of the classes have academic work in the morning and vocational work in the afternoon, and the other half reverse this order. Certain special academic subjects are taken out of vocational time, however, so that the Senior pupils actually spend less than half of their time in vocational work and more of it in academic work.

A comprehensive physical education and recreational program is conducted in the after-school and evening hours. The expansion of this phase of school life was made possible by the acquisition in an unusual way of one of the largest gymnasiums in the country. It came about in this way. During the war years, the entire school was occupied by the Royal Canadian Air Force and was used as an Initial Training Center for aircrew. A large drill hall was erected on the grounds at that time by the Air Force. After the war, the Air Force left, and the drill hall was converted into two gymnasiums, one for the girls and one for the boys, each large enough to permit the playing of two basketball or volleyball games simultaneously. Full use is made of these excellent facilities. For example, each November a huge volleyball jamboree is held in this O.S.D. gymnasium.



Top to bottom, left, a pupil at the Ontario School learns oxy-acetylene welding in the Agriculture and Mechanics shop. Next is a larger view of the same shop. At bottom, a project nears completion in the carpenter shop.

Some 22 girls' teams representing 11 secondary schools in this area converge upon "the gym" and participate in a continuous schedule of games from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. with all four volleyball courts being used throughout the tournament. Each June, as a feature of the annual "Open House," boys' and girls' tumbling displays are presented.

Of course, outdoor sports are played in season. Rugby, which is similar to American football, is the game of the autumn season. Skating and ice hockey on the school's outdoor ice rink are enjoyed for a month or two in the winter. Track and field events and softball are the outdoor sports of the late spring and early summer.

Swimming is made available to our students by an arrangement with our good neighbors at Albert College. The pool at the college is open to our boys and girls for two nights each week.

The sports program just outlined requires the full time of two teachers, one for the girls and one for the boys. The teaching day for these teachers begins at 3:30 each afternoon and ends at 9:00 in the evening and includes a Saturday morning program.

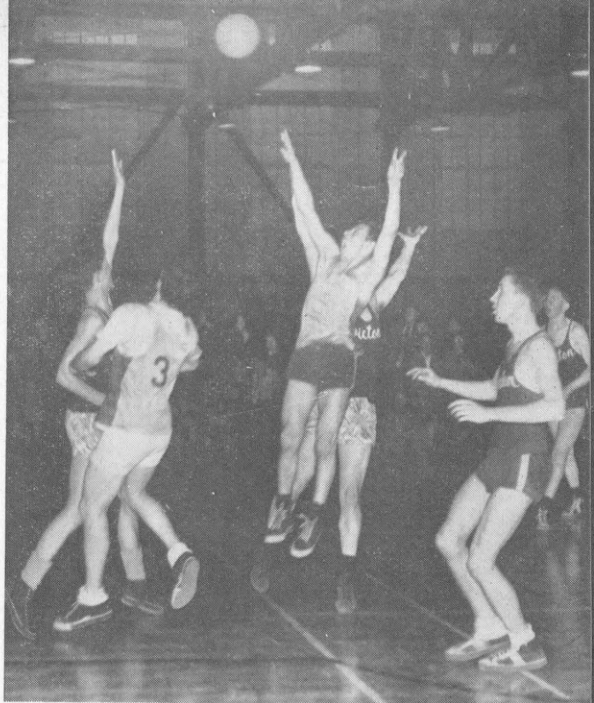
A few special features and activities of life at O.S.D. are probably worthy of mention. In common with practice in many schools for the deaf, birthday parties for the pupils of the Junior School are celebrated in the classroom and are complete with birthday cakes, candles, fun-makers, and games. For the pupils of the Intermediate and Senior School they take a different form. Each Wednesday at noon for most of the year, the six children whose birthdays fall closest to that Wednesday are entertained to a full-course birthday dinner in the home economics room by the senior home economics class. The students being honored in this way come dressed appropriately for the occasion, and the girls of the home economics class prepare the menu and the dinner, set up the table, and serve the dinner to their birthday guests. The honored guests have a delicious dinner as well as the opportunity of learning those details of etiquette which are expected upon such occasions. Thus the birthday dinners are both enjoyable and excellent training for all concerned.

Parties of other kinds are held regularly throughout the year. The one looked forward to most each fall is the Hallowe'en party, or probably one should say, parties, for there are three. Each of the Junior, Intermediate and

Senior schools has a party of its own. Everyone dresses up and the costumes are most original and varied.

Just before Christmas each year a Christmas pageant is presented. Then later in the school year a play is presented. To both of these events the parents and general public are specially invited. Some of the plays presented in recent years have been Aladdin, Cinderella, and Snow White. Costumes for the plays are made by the girls in the sewing room and stage sets are prepared by the boys in their various shops. After public presentation, the main sequences of the plays are filmed in color, and the players have the pleasure of seeing themselves as they looked before their audiences.

The school year culminates in two other important events. In June an



At right, top, the height of a crucial basketball game in the Ontario School boys' gymnasium. Next, a scene from "Snow White," a school play, when Prince Charming and the Dwarfs find Snow White. Bottom, a birthday dinner prepared by the Home Economics Dept.

"Open House" is held in the gymnasium and, in addition to the gymnastics exhibitions already referred to, samples of the work of all of the classrooms and shops are laid out on display. The Graduation Exercises a little later mark the crowning point in the school year. On that day in the assembly hall those who have completed their school program here are suitably honored in the presence of their parents, friends and fellow students.

School life and facilities at the Ontario School for the Deaf have been improved greatly since that day in 1870 when John McGann saw his dream of a provincial school first realized. The influence of many superintendents and staff members over the years has resulted in the various features of the present school outlined above. Probably the name most closely associated with the progress of the school is that of Catherine Ford, who retired as Directress of Professional Training at the school in June, 1950, after 42 years of continuous service to deaf girls and boys of Ontario. On January 27, 1953, W. J. Morrison, Superintendent of the Ontario School for the past 17 years, retired after distinguished service to the school. He has been succeeded by the former Assistant Superintendent, J. G. Demeza, who has spent the past two and a half years in preparation for his work. He studied methods of education of the deaf in Britain and other European countries for almost a year and followed this with a series of visits to many leading American schools and centers which took a further period of about six months. Since then he has been actively associated with the former superintendent in administering the school.

Thus the Ontario School for the Deaf, soundly rooted in the past, and proud of its continuous development up to the present, looks to the future with confidence for an even greater opportunity to serve.

Some O. S. D. Statistics

The Ontario School for the Deaf was founded in 1870. According to information published in the American Annals of the Deaf, it had 361 pupils in October, 1952, and it has educated a total of 3,790 pupils. It has 42 teachers. Buildings and grounds are valued at \$1,500,000.00. It is the largest school in Canada, and among the largest in America. There are six other residential schools in the Dominion of Canada, in British Columbia, Manitoba, Nova Scotia, Quebec, and Saskatchewan. Besides these, there are a number of day schools or classes.

With the Foreign Deaf . . .

By Paul Lange

The associations of the deaf of Sweden and Finland jointly publish a magazine for the deaf. The Finnish magazine has the same equipment as the Swedish and Norwegian. Both are profusely illustrated. The Finnish periodical, "Kuurojen Lehti," is edited by Rurig Pitkainen, who has served for 25 years in that capacity, while the editor of the Swedish periodical, "Tid-Skrift for Dove" is Urho Klerimo, of the Oslo School for the Deaf. Borje Ahlbrock of Helsingfors, Finland, who speaks both Finnish and Swedish, is on the editorial staff of both periodicals.

According to the latest Serbian census, there are 1485 deaf in that country. Of these, 569 are attending school, and 173 are apprenticed in shops and living in their own homes. 461 work in different shops and 24 workers and 54 apprentices are in shops of societies.

In Treska, Macedonia, a woodenware company employs 21 apprentices and workers, while in Monastir, a knitting mill employs 21 deaf girls.

The president of the Finnish Republic has bestowed the medal, "Pro Benignitati Humana (For philanthropic deeds)" on the deaf Swedish architect, Goesta Niberg.

Doctor Dascellori, a deaf doctor of Rimini, Italy, recently passed an examination given by the chemical research committee with high honors.

At a meeting of the Finnish deaf a resolution was adopted asking to extend the course of instruction in the schools for the deaf in that country to ten years, to be divided as follows: kindergarten, two years; public school, six years, and post graduate, two years.

Shri Atal Chand Chatterji retired as principal of the Calcutta, India, school for the deaf after ten years of service as its vice principal. He is a graduate of the Clarke School for the Deaf at Northampton, Mass., and the foremost exponent of oralism in India. He has been succeeded by the General Secretary of the Convention of Teachers of the Deaf of India, Dr. Sailendra Nath Banerji, a graduate of the Normal Department of Gallaudet College, from which he received the honorary degree of Ph.D. last year.

In the March 15th issue of the Deutsche Gehörlosen Zeitung, the official organ of the German Association of the Deaf, attention is called to the fact that the International Organization of Labor had recently broadcast in the daily European press an appeal urging the employment of deaf persons in noisy places as they are better able to concentrate in this type

of environment than the hearing. Constant noise makes the hearing person indifferent to impressions his ears should receive. If from anywhere a signal comes, as for instance the honking of a horn, the hearing person can not hear this important signal among the hundred other noises. The author claims this is due to the fact that the brain can take care of only so much stimulation. If too much is used up by the organ of hearing, there is not much left for the other sensory organs. The author states that this theory has been demonstrated by observation and scientific research and justifies the assertion that the deaf in many ways are less subject to accident than a person with normal hearing. No energy is used by his hearing. He can give his full attention through his eyes, and more rapidly recognize and avoid approaching danger.

Aided by local authorities, the deaf of Dortmund, Germany, have organized a building and loan association for the deaf and built apartment buildings, housing 49 and 86 families respectively. A deaf theatre group was organized and trained by the staff of the city theater. Not only have they filled the city theater at their performances but they have performed by request in a number of other cities.

It will be of interest to know that a deaf multi-millionaire of the U.S. is erecting a four-story hotel resort in the fashionable resort Travemunde-Lubeck, Germany. The hotel will have 200 rooms with 300 beds, four dining rooms, four parlors, a hall with stage, a billiard room, a bowling alley and all sorts of conveniences. A large athletic field will also be provided. Most of the fifty employees of the hotel are to be deaf. These will be selected by an American employment agency. Three well-known deaf men have applied for the position of manager.

The resort is intended for American deaf. If not filled, the resort will have as its guests needy German deaf, especially deaf D.P.'s and deserving officers of societies for the deaf. The expenses for this are to be paid out of a fund established by the builder.

The health resort was to have been completed and opened by the first of April of this year.

—From the April 1, 1953 issue of Deutsche Gehörlosen Zeitung.

In a style show by one of London's most famous designers this spring there appeared a strikingly beautiful young blonde model in the person of Jean Maley, a young deaf girl from Australia.

The Psychological Implications of Hearing Impairments

By Edna Simon Levine, Ph.D.

OF ALL THE GROUPS of the physically disabled in the United States today, by far the largest is made up of the men, women and children with impaired hearing. Known under the generic title, "the hypacusic," their numbers run into the millions, with some estimates reaching as high as the 20 million mark. This substantial incidence suggests that almost every one of us with normal hearing has at some time or another had some contact with an acoustically disabled person.

Yet despite its extensive occurrence, the real handicaps of impaired hearing still remain something of an enigma to the public mind. The reasons are not hard to find. They stem in large measure from the complex yet visible nature of acoustic impairments. The casual observer cannot see the physical signs of the disability; and without the stimulus of a visible clue, it becomes extremely difficult for him to imagine what its involvements, complexities and consequences are. The somatic evidence being obscure, the associated psychological handicaps become even more so, but not, of course, to the sufferer.

To him an auditory defect is not a hearing loss alone. It is rather a human loss. Its full impact cannot be demonstrated solely in terms of decibels, nor audiograms nor threshold levels. To the one experiencing such deprivation, it is more like the loss of a life dimension and defies such measures. In the present discussion, the major aim will be to transmit this human aspect of acoustic disability to the reader.

But first, some preliminary orientation is in order concerning the different types of auditory defect. This is necessitated by the fact that these different types give rise to differing psychological problems. Although the impairments themselves are merged together under a generic title, this cannot be done in discussing their psychological implications.

Thus, on reexamining the collective hypacusic group more closely, we find that this vast, "anonymous" body is composed of a widely heterogeneous assortment of hearing-impaired individuals. The layman generally reduces them all to the single denominator, "deaf." However, this is a technical misuse of the term which has the further disadvantage

of obscuring the very real and wide range of intra-group differences.

Within the parent body, for example, there are hearing losses ranging in a steady continuum from the mild to the profound, appearing at any time from birth to senescence, and striking suddenly and severely, or increasing slowly and gradually. These acoustic differences, in turn, produce others of yet another character. Such are the differences in psycho-developmental experiences, in educational needs and in social and emotional problems that are either directly or indirectly related to the varying types and amounts of hearing loss present. Over and above these psycho-acoustic differences, there are as well the usual, every day types of individual differences that exist among us all, physically disabled or not.

In order to bring some measure of clarity into this complex picture, numerous attempts have been made to devise an inclusive, orderly scheme of classification of the acoustically impaired population. Educational planning and psychological research alone require such division of the unwieldy parent group into smaller and more homogeneous sub-groups. However this has proved to be a remarkably difficult undertaking mainly because of the debatable borderline cases; and, as yet, neither universal agreement nor the desired, fine classification scheme have been achieved in these areas.

Nonetheless, two broad categories of the hearing impaired population are generally recognized at the present time. They are: (1) the deaf; and (2) the hard of hearing. In addition to these, the writer, for purposes of psychological discussion, recognizes a third category, the deafened, as represented essentially by the war-deafened. Although all of these categories are widely overlapping, the core populations of each are generally distinguishable from one another on the basis of the following differentials: age of onset of impaired hearing and amount of hearing loss sustained; psycho-developmental background; educational needs; and psycho-acoustic problems.

The acoustic differences among these groups are expressed in the following definitions, of which the first two were recommended by the Committee on No-

menclature of the Conference of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf in 1937:

I. *The Deaf*: Those in whom the sense of hearing is non-functional for the ordinary purposes of life. This general group is made up of two distinct classes based entirely on the time of the loss of hearing:

(A) *The congenital deaf*: Those who were born deaf.

(B) *The adventitiously deaf*: Those who were born with normal hearing but in whom the sense of hearing became non-functional later through illness or accident.

II. *The Hard of Hearing*: Those in whom the sense of hearing, although defective, is functional with or without a hearing aid.

III. *The Deafened*: For purposes of this discussion, the deafened are held to be those in whom the sense of hearing has, with relative suddenness, become non-functional for the ordinary purposes of life during adulthood as a result of accident or illness. The war-deafened are a notable example.

The Deaf

The deaf comprise the smallest section of the total hearing impaired population. According to the various available estimates, it seems doubtful if they number more than about 100,000 throughout the country. In point of size, this is indeed an unimpressive group. However, its numerical insignificance is more than compensated for by the unique nature of its problems. Their unusual quality stems from the fact that of all the hypacusic, the deaf are the only ones in whom the major and crucial portion, if not the whole, of life development must take place without benefit of effective auditory contact with the environment.

This comes about because of the early age of onset of the impairment and the severe amount of hearing loss characterizing this group. The impairment occurs before the age of 5 years in over 90% of the group, and before the age of three in over 70%. The amount of loss involved cannot be pin-pointed precisely; but it is generally held to average about 85 db. or more in the better ear. The auditory impairment of the deaf strikes during the most critical psycho-developmental period of childhood. Its presence continues throughout the life span of the individual for there is no known cure for the condition.

When it exists since birth the child so affected is never able to learn anything substantial, so to speak, through the ear—not even how to talk—and highly specialized instructional techniques must be used in his education. When such hearing loss occurs during the childhood period of speech and language development, any continued normal development of these skills ceases and again the special methods must be employed. The layman commonly uses the terms "deaf-mute" or "deaf and dumb" to designate this state. Within the field, however, the term "deaf" alone is preferred; for the fact that the deaf can be taught to speak despite their lack of

hearing ability has been successfully demonstrated for a good many years now. They need no longer be considered mute; and they are certainly not dumb.

However the common misapprehension still prevails that it is this speech handicap alone which constitutes the sum and substance of the handicap of deafness. This is far from the case. The speech involvement is, no doubt, the most apparent; but the other complications are no less severe for being more obscure. They are woven within the developmental pattern of the individual and so do not lend themselves to ready inspection. But they are there nevertheless; and by tracing the pattern as it evolves, they too may be seen and understood.

Accordingly let us focus our attention for a moment upon such a pattern in the person of a child born deaf; that is to say, born into an environment rich in comforts and harmonies but from which all meaningful sound is eliminated because it cannot hear. What then is left?

For the baby, it is a world of stillness. He knows nothing of the warmth of mother-sounds that mean love and comfort, the sound of footsteps or the rustle of garments approaching his crib, the lullabies crooning him to sleep, the silly little "boos" and "gurgles," nothing of the sounds that tell him he is loved and not alone. He is deaf to them all. The sounds of fun are stilled too: the laughter; the clapping hands; the squeaky toys and rattles; the mewling kittens, barking puppies, chirpy birds. All is still and quiet. This is a strange, cold world indeed, this otherwise rich environment, without one meaningful sound to stimulate feeling or give added meaning to what is seen.

As the child grows older, he gazes with questioning eyes upon the silent-motion-picture-like world unfolding about him. The only situations which have some meaning for him are the few routines with which he is already familiar. All the rest are a potential threat, for the "why?" of a dawning curiosity is denied him. He has no words; he knows no words; he hears no words. He is occasionally overwhelmed by uncontrollable fears and impulses to rebellion that surge through him, but to no avail. The walls of silence hold fast. He cannot break through to the world about excepting through an inadequate code of gestures and pantomime.

He cannot indicate what is wrong, for he does not know. Neither, in many cases, do the bewildered adults in his environment; for the condition of deafness in the very young child is often an extremely difficult one to recognize, even for a physician. When the correct di-

agnosis is eventually made, the pre-diagnostic strains, the ultimate emotional impact upon the parents, and their frequently ensuing agitation and panic serve further to distort many a young deaf child's world and threaten his precarious balance in it. Parental guidance, adjustment and acceptance of the situation are critical necessities to the life-adjustment of a deaf child.

The other is education. This is the deaf child's salvation, just as language is his emancipation. Such a child has a desperate need to know words that combine to form thoughts and thoughts that stimulate thinking; he needs to know the language that calls forth and expresses emotion; and the speech that effects participation in the give-and-take of social intercourse with the world about. He needs to be able to give expression to his unsatisfied "how?" and "why?" feeling; to make known his wishes and his yearnings; he needs to find a healthy outlet for his anxieties and frustrations.

When he comes of school age, the construction of such a line of communication is begun. The teaching of language, speech and lip reading is the foundation. Construction proceeds slowly, word by word, phrase by phrase, sentence by sentence. But many, many long years must be spent in arduous and painstaking work before the line becomes sufficiently strong to transmit anything like the substantial amounts of information the deaf child requires for his age. It must be remembered that in numerous instances the very young deaf child has no concept whatsoever of what words are, to say nothing of connected language. This is the case with those children born deaf and with those who become deaf before having experienced the functional use of language symbols.

In all cases, the education of the deaf is an astonishing feat of instruction and of learning. In language, the pupil is specifically taught and he must retain the memory of the correct meaning and the correct usage of every word and of every language principle in his gradually increasing vocabulary. In speech, he is shown and must remember the correct tongue-teeth-lip relationship and placement as well as the correct voice and breath qualities of every sound of every word he learns. In lip reading, he is taught and must then be able to identify words and connected language from a speaker's lips through rapid recognition and synthesis of the visible tongue-teeth-lip relationship of what is being said into the meaningful whole. Truly an amazing feat of human patience and ability!

And in the meanwhile, the deaf pupil's emotional and social needs continue apace. They do not remain static

while language and speech fluency are being mastered. More and more facets of his life require enlightenment, whether the lines of language communication be ready for effective use or not. Information about the hearing world and its ways; facts, matters of common knowledge and custom, reasons, motives; the "know-how" and the "know-why" of interpersonal and social behavior; the why and how of the emotion; all these and more demand answers. A large measure of such enlightenment falls to the special schools for the deaf. It is they, who being most familiar with such needs must plan how to crowd provision for their satisfaction into the space of a school curriculum.

Yet such is the frustrating slowness of language mastery and such the tremendous scope of material to be taught and learned that it becomes impossible to keep the average deaf pupil in pace with his hearing peers. A lag is bound to exist between what the deaf pupil does know and has experienced, and what he should know and should be experiencing for his age, scholastically, socially, and emotionally.

Thus when a young deaf adult is ready to leave school and face the world, he is still under-developed in many ways as compared to the hearing. To the hearing world he may even seem backward, odd or peculiar. He is not, at least not in the usual sense of these terms. It is rather his life situation that is peculiar. As a result of its unique restrictions, he is still uninformed or possibly misinformed about many things; his voice and speech strike an unfamiliar sound to the hearing ear; his experiences in the ways of the hearing world are limited and he shows this in his behavior, in his naivete, in his approach to new situations. In addition, he is very apt to be sensitively aware of his own shortcomings, and even more so of the indifference and misconceptions of the hearing world regarding his problems and his needs. But he is still a developing personality, still finding out, still learning, still maturing. The world about is now his teacher and he needs its help, guidance and understanding acceptance.

As for the popular belief that the deaf personality is characterized by withdrawal, moodiness, suspicion and even paranoia, this belongs to the great body of misconceptions regarding the deaf. The fact is that when the deaf are in the company of those who like and understand them—whether other deaf or hearing—it would be hard to find a more vivacious, animated and garrulous assemblage. Naturally psychopathological traits exist among the deaf, as they do among the hearing; but these are the exceptions and not the rule.

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Churches IN THE DEAF WORLD

Wesley Lauritsen, Editor

Congregation Surprises Rev. A. J. Staubitz

During the vacation of the Rev. and Mrs. August Staubitz a committee was formed to tender a surprise party for Rev. Staubitz in appreciation of his 25 years service as a pastor to the deaf, most of these years being the spiritual head of the Cameron Methodist Church for the Deaf in Cincinnati.

Following the first service after his return, Sept. 13, Rev. Staubitz was blindfolded and led downstairs. When the blindfold was removed, he was facing a blackboard with the inscription—"Rev. A. J. Staubitz, 25 years of service to the deaf. In Appreciation, Your Congregation." Upon turning around he was confronted by a large, beautifully decorated cake, inscribed "Rev. A. J. Staubitz, 25 Years' Service." Rev. Staubitz was then presented a substantial purse from his congregation and friends.

Admittedly stunned and overcome by the surprise, Rev. Staubitz nevertheless made a grateful little speech of appreciation on behalf of himself and his wife—and was soundly kissed by his proud wife as an additional reward.

Adelbert Watters, a former pastor of the Cameron Church, made a graceful speech pointing out the service Rev. Staubitz had rendered in his years as pastor of the church, and stressed the point that a minister was on call 24 hours a day and did not work regular hours the same as the rest of us.

The committee in charge of preparation for the surprise consisted of Mrs. Florence Buck, Mrs. Ray Grayson, Mr. Emery Green and Mr. Robert Barrowcliff. About 40 attended the surprise party, with a picnic supper rounding out the afternoon.

Rev. August and Kathleen Staubitz spent a month's vacation visiting friends and relatives in Canada, mostly in and about Toronto. As both are natives of the northern country, it was a return home for both of them, and at the end of the month they returned to their duties in Cincinnati much refreshed and rested, spiritually and physically.

Earlier in the summer Rev. Staubitz had been presented with a beautiful memorial scroll, honoring his long service, by the Methodist Union.

—RAY GRAYSON.

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The Rev. J. Stanley Light Describes Life in Europe

The Reverend J. Stanley Light, pastor of the Episcopal Church for the Deaf of Boston, spoke to a group of Delavan and southern Wisconsin deaf at the auditorium of the State School for the Deaf Thursday evening, September 3. Owing to the presence of hearing people in the audience, Rev. Light interpreted his talk orally for them. While a number of hearing educators like Superintendent Milligan of the Wisconsin School and Dr. Myklebust of Northwestern University frequently interpret their own talks in sign language, this is unusual for a deaf speaker. The Rev. Mr. Light spoke in a loud, clear voice which carried to all parts of the large auditorium.

Rev. Light spoke of a trip he made this summer to Europe. His plane arrived in England five hours late, and was met by a number of English Episcopal ministers for the deaf. While in this country many ministers to the deaf are deaf themselves, the English ministers are with one exception all hearing.

Rev. Light gave a vivid description of London with its historical sights. He had difficulty in conversing with the deaf by using signs and finger spelling, as the English use a two-hand alphabet. The sermon he delivered had to be interpreted into the English alphabet.

From London, Rev. Light flew to Amsterdam, where he enjoyed refreshing milk for breakfast, quite a contrast to the terrible coffee served in London. In Holland he was surprised to see everybody from five to ninety years old on bicycles. He was amused to see long strings of bicycles awaiting the lowering

of drawbridges. Holland's cleanliness was carried to the point of having foot-tubs in which to wash one's feet before entering the huge bath tubs.

Aachen, Germany, was found to be active in contrast to England and Holland. The Rhine river was narrow and deep, far different from our Mississippi. Bonn, the West German capital, looked like an American city until one looked closely. Here Rev. Light enjoyed seeing the deaf singing songs. He was pleased with Heidelberg, where he was unable to distinguish between homes and stores.

At Stuttgart he visited a home for the aged deaf, which was spotless. There were not enough deaf persons to fill it, so they have taken in hearing persons.

From Germany Rev. Light went to Switzerland. Here, too, he found large tubs for bathing, not only used for baths but also for washing out one's undergarments before hanging them up for the night. In Switzerland he saw tourists stocking up on cameras and watches.

The French countryside did not impress Rev. Light, as it showed neglect. However, the cathedrals, which are the biggest buildings in France, impressed him.

At Brussels he found between 20,000 and 30,000 deaf assembled to witness the International Sports Tournament of the Deaf at the Brussels stadium. Some of the drills offered a thrilling spectacle, considering the fact that our teams were not entered in many events, such as bicycling, they did well, coming out eleventh among the 27 nations entered.

Rev. Light experienced no shortage of food, but from the fear-stricken faces of the young children and their thin little bodies, he knew that many were suffering from malnutrition.

It has been said that the sign language is universal, but this did not prove to be true. Each country had its own signs and the deaf had to resort to natural signs for communication.

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The European deaf seemed to be better lip-readers than those of our country, despite the fact that there are no high schools or colleges for the deaf in Europe. The sign used to designate the United States is one in which a painted Indian is indicated. But for unfortunate incidents in France when signs told the capitalistic Americans to go home, and a transportation strike in Paris, Rev. Light's trip was most enjoyable.

Following his talk, Rev. Light answered questions and then refreshments were served by a group of local women. A freewill offering was taken to be given to Rev. Light for his church in Boston.

What My Religion Means to Me

My religion means much to me because a man's life consists of three entities—spirit, mind, and body. Of these, the most vital and lasting is the spirit. The body will return to dust of which it was made, and likewise the mind. But the life, the spirit, emanating from God, who made and gave it in the birth of the baby, is destined for eternal life, or, on the other hand, eternal punishment, according to the life lived while on earth; according to whether it is a godly and righteous life, lived in the fear of a holy, just, and righteous God; or a life of sin, degradation ending in death. "The wages of sin is death."

Religion, however, means more to me because of the elements of faith, hope, charity, power, and pathos involved in prayer. It is the most vital element in one's religion, in childhood, youth, manhood, and womanhood. "The hoary head is a crown of glory if it be found in the way of righteousness."

What religion means to me may be best expressed in the poem by an unknown author:

Prayer

My God, is any hour so sweet
From blush of morn 'til evening star,
As that which calls me to my feet,
The hour of prayer?

Then is my strength by Thee renewed,
Then are my sins by Thee forgiven,
Then dost Thou cheer my solitude
With hope of heaven.

Lord, until I reach yon blissful shore,
No privilege so dear shall be
As thus my inmost soul to pour
In prayer to Thee.

—GEORGE F. WILLS.

News Wanted

THE SILENT WORKER is always interested in news of church activities, as well as messages designed for the reader's spiritual welfare, and churches of the deaf world are urged to send in more accounts of their activities, with plenty of pictures. It is suggested that church groups select someone among their members to act as official reporter and send news regularly to the Church Editor.

Lutheran Ministers Hold Annual Conference in Des Moines

Twenty-nine of the thirty-three Lutheran ministers for the deaf met for their annual conference to discuss our overall church work among our deaf people. The main essay of the conference was read by the Rev. W. Westermann of Washington, D.C. His subject was very timely on one of the great problems that concerns all church work today, "Divorce and Marriage Counselling." Rev. George Kraus of New York presented to the missionaries the great value of "Visual Aids" in our work, and showed some of the new "Visual Aid" material being worked out especially for work among the deaf.

Other forward strides to make the church services of greater value to the deaf, are the editing of a church hymn book under the leadership of Rev. Theo. DeLaney, and the preparation of a book for the order of service containing the church liturgy. The liturgy book will be completed by the combined efforts of about ten of the missionaries.

Naturally much time was also spent on proper use of the sign language and the translation of Biblical words and phrases into the beautiful language of the deaf. The problem of oralism entered into these discussions. This problem causes a great deal of concern in the presentation of the sermon and church service. We should respect the best advice the deaf themselves can give us as to how to present the great truths of God in the most understandable manner to the deaf.

Chairman of the Board, the Rev. Wm. Buege, of St. Paul, spoke words of encouragement and advice for the workers. He stressed the need of more intensive work in the "Home Base" to build up these congregations over against too much traveling to too many smaller groups of deaf. The Board is in favor of more training in the signs before a man is sent out to preach. The ideal would be that new men spend six to nine months working with the more experienced men before going out to the field

to which they have been called. Rev. Buege also presented the budget for '54. The Board will request \$164,516.45 from Synod for our mission work among the deaf in 1954. This amount will increase in the years to come because the plan of the Board is to add two additional workers each year, until we have reached the total of forty full-time missionaries for the deaf. New men added this year are Rev. Clark Bailey for Denver, Colorado; Rev. Ervin Oermann for Austin, Texas; Rev. Donald Boerner for Boston, Mass., and Vicar H. Drachenberg for Jackson, Miss.

The Board encouraged the regional circuits in their efforts to enlist the talents of our deaf members in the work of the church. It also urged the use of the regional leaders to coordinate the work in various localities. Because of the expansion of our work, a sixth regional circuit was added. The six zones now are (1) Atlantic zone, leader, Rev. W. Westermann; (2) Great Lakes, Rev. Theo. Frederking the leader; (3) North Central, leader, Rev. E. Mappes; (4) Dixie zone, leader, Rev. N. Uhlig; (5) Pacific, leader, Dr. Geo. Gaertner; and (6) Twin Cities zone, leader, Rev. W. Ferber.

Rev. N. P. Uhlig was suggested as the new editor of the Deaf Lutheran. He will be relieved of some of his other work so that he will be able to improve and streamline this church paper. Rev. R. W. Mackensen of Delavan, Wisconsin, preached the sermon for the communion service on Friday in which all missionaries present partook of the Lord's Supper. The Rev. Arnold Jonas of Los Angeles, Calif., preached the sermon in the Sunday morning service for the deaf and the missionaries. Thanks are due to the members of Calvary Lutheran Church for the Deaf, and to their Pastor, Rev. V. Mesenbring, of Des Moines, for their fine hospitality during the conference. Also thanks to Trinity hearing congregation of Des Moines who gave of their hospitality to make members of the conference comfortable.

—REV. ARNOLD T. JONAS.

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IOWA . . .

The Norman Scarvies spent the greater part of the summer sprucing up their farm home and buildings with new paint and really appreciated it when a group of their friends got together one day and painted their poultry house.

Eugene and Iva McConnell, accompanied by Mary Dobson, spent a month touring the West. They were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Tom Anderson in San Francisco before going to Vancouver. They stopped at the Redwoods in Calif., Victoria and Vancouver, B. C., Banff National Park and Lake Louise, Glacier National Park, Grand Tetons, and Yellowstone.

Most of the deaf in Des Moines attended the wedding of Miss Darlene V. Clayton, youngest daughter of the Ralph Claytons, at Wesley Methodist Church, September 9. She was married to Charles Morgan and they will make their home in Des Moines, where both are employed.

Mrs. Bessie Warren enjoyed her vacation in Amarillo, Texas with her daughter and son-in-law A. C. and Mrs. Erwin Jones, who have been residing there during his present assignment.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Koons motored to Texas to visit Ross Jr. and family. They also stopped in Dallas to see the Troy Hills.

Surprise! The most eligible bachelor in Des Moines has placed a sparkler on the right finger of the left hand of Miss Patricia Dorsey, ex-57 Gallaudet, from Sioux City. No date has been set. Two others of our D.M.S.C. basketball team have already spoken their vows, Nick Routans, who was married to Doris Paul of Des Moines, and Robert Fisher to Betty Weber of Kansas City, Mo.

There are several new faces at I.S.D. this fall including William "Dean" Swaim of Fresno, Calif., who is teaching General Shop and assisting Coach Lahn; Mrs. Agnes D. Thompson of Akron, Ohio, joined the counselors' staff along with Mrs. Flossie Robinson, also from Akron, who came as a counsellor last year.

Friends in this area were grieved to learn of the passing of Mrs. Hans Neujahr, nee Katherine Slocum, early in September after an illness of several months. Kitty had been an instructor in the Nebraska School for many years and is survived by her husband and a son, Bruce, who is 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Nate Lahn vacationed six weeks in the west and southwest after taking in the convention in Vancouver. Their itinerary included California, Mexico, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.

Louis Sorenson and wife have purchased a new home at 3425 Eighth Ave., Council Bluffs. Louis is an accountant for the U.S. Government

Dept. of Engineering at Omaha. They have two children aged 10 and 1 year old.

A new trade to be taught at I.S.D. this fall is Metalcraft with Carlton Beers as instructor.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Noble, parents of Principal Noble, were at home to their friends at the LeRoy Noble residence, October 18 in observance of their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Mrs. Norma Poole and little son Donnie, formerly of Council Bluffs are now at home at 135 Fifth Ave. N.E., Faribault, Minn. Norma will teach domestic science at the Faribault School. Mrs. Angel (Darlene) Acuna, who held the position last year, has gone to live in Tucson, Arizona, where she and Angel are both employed.

About thirty Lutheran pastors for the Deaf attended the Conference in Des Moines August 7-11 with our minister Rev. V. H. Mesenbring, host to the group. The Ladies Aid of Calvary Lutheran Church for the Deaf assisted by serving noon and evening meals to the visitors. The Rev. A. T. Jonas of Los Angeles delivered the sermon on Sunday.

Friends in Des Moines have received the marriage announcement of Miss Sheba Latz, formerly of Minneapolis, Minn., to Lovell La Verne, of Los Angeles, where the couple are now at home.

Norman C. K. Tsu, a junior student at Gallaudet College, from China, stopped over in Des Moines enroute East from Columbus, Nebraska, where he had employment during the summer months. He came to the United States in 1947 and spent 3 years in the school at White Plains, N. Y., before entering Gallaudet. He has very good command of the English language and our sign language and those of us who were able to meet him thoroughly enjoyed hearing about the deaf in China and of his early life there.

Mrs. Ross Wyckoff, nee Emma Spreng, underwent major surgery in September. She has taken sick leave from her place of employment to recuperate and we are happy to hear that she is getting along nicely at home.

Jack Montgomery and sons John and Kerry accompanied Wilbur Sawhill to Milwaukee in August to see the Dodgers vs. the Braves. From there they continued on to the M.D.G.A. Tourney at Delavan, Wisconsin. Mrs. Sawhill and Donna were guests of the Louis Herbolds in Marion during Wilbur's absence, while Mrs. Montgomery rode to Delavan with Ed and Theda Hans for the tourney.

Debbie Jo, the new daughter of the Wilbur Sawhills who remained in Lutheran Hospital two weeks following her birth, has gained sufficient weight to be brought home, much to the happiness of the entire family.

WISCONSIN . . .

Samuel Riege left Milwaukee for New York and New Jersey via plane, on his two weeks vacation. This was his first visit to New York City and he was very much impressed at the town. He rode up in the Empire State Building. He visited friends (and maybe, his girl) in New Jersey. Brother Warren was also on his vacation at the same time, driving to Colorado and Yellowstone Park with the Howard Davises, of Madison, Wisc., as passengers. They returned home via Canada.

Nine golf-widows, who attended the Midwest Deaf Golf Association tournament in Delavan,

Wisc., gave a surprise birthday party in honor of Mrs. Lawrence N. Yolles of Milwaukee, at the Hay-Loft at Lake Geneva, Wisc. (near Delavan) on August 9th. Present were Mrs. Waldo Cordan of Delavan; Mrs. Herbert Duer-meyer of Lincoln, Neb.; Mrs. Julia Mayes of Flint, Mich.; Mrs. John B. Davis of Chicago; Mrs. Lawrence Newman of Riverside, Calif.; Mrs. Donald Neuman of Tucson, Ariz.; Mrs. Philip Zola of Milwaukee; Mrs. Goodstein of New York City; and Mrs. Richard Kennedy and her two children of Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Lewis and two sons moved to a new home at 5073 N. 48th Street, Milwaukee, on September 5th.

Lucien C. Joesting of Alton, Ill., who attended the Central Institute for the Deaf in St. Louis, Mo., was a guest of John J. Poplawski in Milwaukee over the Labor Day week-end.

Mrs. Lawrence N. Yolles flew to Toronto, Canada, for a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. David Peikoff.

The Milwaukee Silent Club picnic held on August 22nd was very successful. Bernice Chrostowski and Hilary J. Heck were elected as Queen and King respectively. There were many prizes given too numerous to mention.

Robert Schneider and Omar Schmidt and their wives drove in Robert's car to Lake Chetek, Wisc., for their week's vacation. They visited Fredrick Foster, who was Robert's classmate at the Wisconsin School, and this was their first visit in 22 years.

Myron C. Krull, Eugene Emerich, and A. Peterson drove in Eugene's car to Bemidji, Minn., for their vacation. They saw the giant statues of Paul Bunyan and Babe, erected in 1937 on the shore of Lake Bemidji. No luck at fishing was had.

FLORIDA . . .

The Polk County Silent Club's Labor Day shindig drew a crowd of approximately 175. The weekend program was excellently planned. The Saturday night Open House at Winter Haven's V.F.W. hall lasted way into the wee small hours. Sunday morning we all journeyed to Lake Hamilton for the all-day picnic. Luckily, the weather was in our favor for sunny skies prevailed throughout the day. At Lake Hamilton some went swimming, boating and skiing while others just sat around and gabbed. It was nice seeing a lot of old friends and making many new ones. But enough of this and let us pass along to you some of the tidbits that we gleaned while around and about the picnic.

Paul Olive told us that he now has his own shoe repair shop and is doing a good business. His shop is located in Auburndale on highway 92. Wife, Lucille, has taken up a hobby that is popular nowadays—painting picture craft. . . It is always good to see Mary Jim Werdig of Washington, D. C. again. Mary Jim came down to Winter Haven to look after her mother while her father was out of town on business; and lucky for her, she took in the picnic and saw lots of her Florida friends. . . And lucky for Mrs. Harold Holmes, West Palm Beach! She won the cake, a delicacy made and donated to the club by Mary Jim. . . Speaking of Mrs. Holmes, her young son, Darwin, brought along the sleekest motor boat ever. What made it extra attractive to us was the fact that Darwin made it himself. It has a plexi-glass bottom and a 10 horsepower motor. We enjoyed watching Darwin speed across the lake with skiers in tow. . . And that spry old gentleman from St. Petersburg, Charles Cory, was there. No gathering would be complete without the lovable Mr. Cory! . . . The Cecil Goodrich family of Oak Hill motored down with their five children in tow. The kiddies' ages range from 12 years on down to 4. The remarkable thing is that every one of them can converse in the sign language, although none of them is deaf. . . Heard at the picnic that Betty Cumbe, Mrs. Douglas, is expecting her third in April. . . Looking forward to cuddling their first-born in November are: Joanna Cassidy, nee Williams, and Mrs.



Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Rickabaugh, Des Moines, Iowa, were married on July 3 on the "Bride and Groom" television program, and honeymooned for a week in Atlantic City. The Rev. George Kraus of St. Mathew's Lutheran Church for the Deaf in New York performed the ceremony. Following the ceremony, the newlyweds were presented gifts of furniture, silverware, carpeting, blankets, a gas range, and a home freezer. They will also receive a sound movie film of their wedding and matched rings. Both attended the Iowa School for the Deaf and will make their home in West Des Moines.

Gene Elkes. It was our first meeting with Mrs. Elkes and we think she's both lovely and charming... Homer Altman and his Mrs. were there. The Altmans are now living in Sarasota, moving down from Michigan some time back. Mrs. Altman won the beauty contest for the "under 30 lassies"... Ted and Janet Clemons, their Ann and little Teddy motored down from St. Augustine bringing Mr. Fugate with them. We're sorry that Mrs. Fugate was ill and unable to come. We're sorry, too, that Hilda Cooper had to remain in St. Augustine with her ailing father. Hubby, Lee, hitched a ride down with Sidney and Ira Jane Hoagland... Wal, enough of this week-end chatter for the time being. We had a good time and the Polk County deaf are to be commended for their efforts to provide a wonderful week-end for us all. We toss the orchids to Mary Kalal, the club prexy; Ommie Cumbe, secretary; Charles Schmidt, Sr., treasurer and all their week-end helpers; Narcisse Schmidt, J. D. Cumbe, Charles Schmidt, Jr., Robert Shepherd, Khaleel Kalal, Rose Schmidt, Paul and Lucille Olive.

Wedding bells chimed August 15 for William Edwards, Tallahassee, and Louise Maynard of Winder, Georgia. The bride and groom are now settled in their own new home in Tallahassee, where the bridegroom is employed at the Florida State University as a sketch artist and sign painter.

Again wedding bells rang out during the August month for Mitchell Kalal, Jacksonville and Emilie Olson, a teacher at the Florida School. Mitchell has been working at Jacksonville's Florida Times-Union for several years. Our congrats and best wishes for much happiness.

We regret to hear that Mozelle Bradley's father died recently as a result of injuries sustained from a high fall.

Engagements: Joe Shoupe, Miami, and Ruth Kircher, Glen Ridge, New Jersey; Howard Good, Miami and Yvonne Durette, New Hampshire. Will pass the wedding dates along to you later on.

Mrs. Steve Toth, nee Margaret Hovsepian of Trenton, New Jersey, spent a week's vacation with her folks in Miami.

VIRGINIA . . .

Mrs. Rodney Bunn of Northridge, California, now visiting her children in Charlotte, N. C., enjoyed a week's trip to Florida with her sister.

Mrs. Clinton Moore of Bristol underwent surgery in July and is reported improving.

Paul Hermic of South Boston has sought employment in Chester, Penna. His family is still at South Boston. The Mrs. is the former Mae Zell Bailey.

Obie Nunn, Martinsville, paddled around the Virginia Beach for his vacation and dropped by at the Portsmouth printing office to backslap Edward O'Meara, Elrice Daniels and Paul Powers. Obie is anxiously awaiting the completion of a new home.

The Winifred Justices, nee Ella Mae Lazenby of Hampton, employed on the State colored school grounds, vacationed in Bedford with her relatives and dropped by at the Robert Harpers for a call.

Mrs. Marie DeReimer of Indiana, was in Roanoke during July seeking employment, only to be unlucky and since, has gone to upper New York to be with her son.

The Willie Johnstons, Lynchburg, had many week-end visitors during the summer and found time to bus-ride down to be with their three grandchildren over Labor Day.

The George Hansons and two younguns, Georgie and Molly Jo, motored from their Fari-bault, Minn., nest down to her homestead in Appomattox on their annual visit in mid-August. They were given a picnic at Bedford Lake on August 14th, the event of Alfra's birthday, by her family and the Robert Harper family.

Carl McDonaldson of Akron, Ohio, who was seriously injured in the February auto accident near Roanoke, is still at his home in Otway undergoing treatments on a broken leg.

Mrs. Edmond Abbott of Akron, accompanied the George Hansons to Minnesota by motor to bring her daughter, Nancy, home from a full summer with her grandparents.

Robert Harper and his two children flew from Woodrum Field, Roanoke, up to Milwaukee August 23rd, to visit relatives and then to drive his mother home. It was their first flight and the children were thrilled over air-cruising on that lovely, bright day. Mrs. Harper and the baby remained at home with the mumps.

Warren Blackwell of Washington, D. C., accompanied the Cecil Prillmans, Pulaski, on an adventurous trip to Mexico for two weeks recently.

Catherine Nofsinger vacationed with her parents to Edgefield, S. C., for a golfing period at Augusta Golf Club and to the Homestead at Hot Springs, Va., and also to White Sulphur Springs' Greenbrier.

Robert Reed took Barbara Bell, Norfolk, as his bride during the summer. Complete details are lacking at this writing. They were in Staunton visiting his parents recently. Robert has switched jobs at Warrenton to work at Virginia Beach, Va.

Catherine Harris Daniels underwent an eye operation at Johns Hopkins hospital which was successful and she has no need for glasses again.

(The above news was so kindly furnished by Mrs. Robert Harper of Bedford. Thanks for helping.—Va. News Rep.)

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roop, Vinton, stopped by at the Jefferson Lawson home on their way to and from Maryland, while on vacation during July.

The Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind

re-opened its doors on Sept. 8th. Most all of the teachers and staff members report having a nice summer vacation. Arvilla Petersen went home to Conn. at the close of school—later she flew by plane to California to meet her brother coming in from Hawaii. They enjoyed the trip back home by motor across the states. She was also in Nova Scotia during the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yates, Jr., have a brand new baby daughter, Jo Belle, born in July at Lake Waccamaw, N. C. They are back in Staunton for another term at V.S.D.

Frank Hutchinson worked in Staunton 'most all summer. He motored up to New Jersey to be with his relatives for a few weeks just before the opening of V.S.D.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sebrell of Portsmouth are living in Darden Hall at V.S.D. Tom is assistant supervisor of Darden Hall boys. Ralph Kieser is back on the job as head supervisor after working at an auto body and fender shop during the summer at St. Paul, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Chaplin, Toledo, Ohio, were in Virginia in August visiting friends and relatives. They were at Virginia Beach for a few days. At Richmond, they visited the Gallo-ways, and at Staunton, the Lawsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Chittum and sons from Baltimore, were visiting in Staunton during their vacation. So were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lumpkin and children.

Clyde Cook has a new job with a plastic products factory in Baltimore. The Mrs. and daughter, Betty, will remain at Waynesboro where Clyde was previously employed.

Mrs. George Geltzer, Staunton, spent a great deal of the summer with her relatives at New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dickens have moved from Alexandria to Portsmouth. Mrs. Dickens is the former Annie Mae Creasy. They have two children.

James Hess spent his summer vacation from work at the Overlea colored school for the deaf working around in Maryland. He had a few weeks vacation, though, and went to Canada. He came to Staunton to visit with his relatives during the early part of September.

A nice crowd was said to be at the Roanoke Club for the deaf dance on August 22. A number of persons were at the Richmond picnic event over Labor Day.

Mrs. Virginia Weaver McComber was in Staunton for a two-week visit with her sister, Mrs. Charles Lawson, during July. Mrs. McComber is a teacher at the Rhode Island School for the Deaf. The school will open late due to an epidemic of polio in Providence. Both ladies are hearing daughters of the late Reuben S. Weaver, well-known teacher at V.S.D. for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Christian, Arlington, were visiting relatives in Buena Vista and Harrisonburg over Labor Day week-end. They stopped in Staunton to see the Lawsons, only to find them away.

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Mrs. Jeff Lawson had her two sisters, Betty and Geneva, with her during the summer. Their parents came up for a visit in August. On Aug. 23, a nice trip to the Homestead at Hot Springs with the trip going through Monterey, was enjoyed. A brief stop at the Charles Lockridge home in McDowell was made, but there was no one at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Fagg, Akron, O., were visiting his parents at Pulaski recently.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Lewellyn are the grandparents of a boy, born the early part of the summer. This is their third grandson. The boys' parents are Mr. and Mrs. George Sumey, who have moved to Richmond. The Lewellyns spent the summer with relatives in Chatham.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Aumon Bass were at their home in Rice, Va., throughout the summer months.

As this goes to press, Mr. and Mrs. George Geltzer, who moved to Staunton sometime back, are planning to go back to their native New York City. They will be greatly missed among the Staunton deaf.

Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Hurowitz, Staunton, had plenty of company all through the summer. They also made several trips to points in Virginia.

Virginians, have you any news you would like printed in this column? Send it in to Mrs. Jeff Lawson by the 15th of each month.

NEW MEXICO . . .

William Rodriguez, after a year with the Rainbo Baking Company in Albuquerque, decided to look for greener pastures closer to his home. Being back in Velarde is certain to find him helping his family harvest their crops alongside of the Rio Grande. Bill's friends are hoping that Bill will return to his former spot in Albuquerque before too long.

Bob Dickerson is all grins these days, except when the lumpy cotton fluffs cover his face. Bob is working in a cotton gin mill where cotton and cotton bolls are mechanically persuaded to separate. Apparently, Bob will never leave his life-long home town, Las Cruces. He has been working for a cotton concern in the rich Las Cruces cotton-growing area for the past seven years.

Juan Torres, Leo Marques, and Fred Lujan are still plugging away at baking Rainbo bread for New Mexico residents. All three live in Albuquerque. Leo and Juan are, matrimonially speaking, unhitched. Fred and the former Lucy Perea are in their second year of married life.

George Lynch is on the staff of the New Mexico School for the Deaf in Santa Fe. He came here directly from California, with Berkeley being his last address. George thinks the scenery hereabouts is superb. By the time this appears in print, George should be well adjusted to breathing in the high altitudes in Santa Fe.

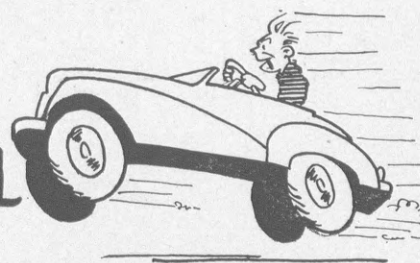
Don and Rosalind Bradford cut their New York vacation short by about a couple of weeks. The heat and humidity drove them back here. The Bradfords hosted at a September 26 meeting of the Santa Fe Chapter of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association in their apartment at Los Alamos. Fifteen members gathered to elect officers for the 1953-1954 term, besides indulging in light conversation and partaking of refreshments.

Don and Marilyn Wilkinson vacationed at the latter's family home in Gary, Indiana. Don helped to spruce up the parental house. A number of major league baseball games were taken in by Don during his mid-western sojourn. Before going to Indiana, Don spent some time at the University of Colorado. He took a course in Driver Education.

Irene Clingenpeel spent her bank vacation with her parents and relatives in southern Indiana recently. A number of friends showed up at the farm to regale her with all sorts of Indiana news one evening.

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THE NUT THAT HOLDS THE WHEEL



By The Automaniac

By the time this reaches print most of the country will be enjoying (?) snow. In spite of the fact that warnings to take extra care when driving on snow and ice are posted all over the place, people still roll along as merrily as ever—often into an accident. The fact is that few people know how to drive on snow and ice.

It isn't a lark. It isn't funny. Those who drive best over snow and ice are those who have a healthy respect for the danger they are in. Sometimes an ordinary driver becomes an expert only after he has had an accident and realizes how easy it is and how fast it happens. Some people just have to learn the hard way; the experience of others means nothing to them. They know better . . . until in the end they learn better.

Almost invariably, accidents that occur on slippery going are caused by stopping or trying to stop, with a skid as the final result. The most frequent mistake of the average driver when he drives over snow or ice is to stop where he has no business to stop. Then he becomes very indignant when he gets slammed in the rear end. When the going is slippery it becomes more important than ever to look in the mirror and make sure the fellow behind you has a chance to stop or pass when you step on your brakes. I keep preaching that nobody should stop while cars are rolling directly behind him; he should get out of the way of traffic before he stops. That goes triple on snow or ice. Of course, you needn't pay any attention to that advice—and please send me a picture of your smashed trunk. No cards of sympathy will be sent.

When the snow is deep and there is danger of getting stuck, don't stop for anything unless you simply have to. Many's the driver I've cursed who stopped and forced me to stop in deep snow. In each case the other fellow was past the deepest part so I was the one to get stuck. Don't get the other fellow in trouble.

When you get stuck, one thing you should not do is keep your rear wheels spinning wildly. That way you will only dig yourself in deeper. The best way to get out is to "rock" the car; that is, get it moving a few inches one way, then shift and move it the other way, then back again, and so on, until you have accumulated enough momentum to plow through the obstruction. If that fails, you'll have to seek some form of traction, such as sand or ashes; a few asphalt shingles can be carried in the trunk for such emergencies, and in a pinch even a couple of floor mats will do the trick.

If your car goes into a skid, don't touch the brake. Turn the front wheels in the direction of the skid and keep the clutch engaged. Let the drag of the engine slow the car down until it is under control. Better yet, learn how to avoid skids.

Driving on snow and ice is the test of a real expert. Many a driver who is skillful in the summertime is a menace in the winter. One fellow I know says that when the roads are slippery enough for chains he leaves his

car home . . . and I am inclined to believe that people who are not sure of themselves under such conditions should do the same.

Outside of avoiding getting stuck and keeping out of the other fellow's way, there are three things to worry about: Starting, steering, and stopping.

Starting: If your wheels spin, shift into a higher gear and try again. Go very easy on the gas and engage the clutch gently and slowly. Slipping the clutch is frowned upon by most experts, but not when the wheels tend to spin. This is where real skill is required, in handling the throttle and clutch.

Steering: All I can say is, don't try to turn sharply. That's a sure way to go into a tailspin.

Stopping: This is the hardest part of all. Try to keep your wheels from locking. Apply the brakes intermittently and gently—holding the pedal down will lock the wheels and cause a skid. A little-known trick and a very valuable one to know is to put your car in second gear when you know you will have to stop. This makes stopping very easy. In fact, in traffic it is a good idea to keep the car in second all the time.

Don't try to go too fast. And you can say that again. Also, keep your distance. The fellow who follows too close on a dry road almost always gets into accidents when the road is slippery.

The following table is no secret. Pin it in your hat. These are stopping distances at a measly 20 miles per hour—by today's standards practically a crawl. I'll say it again—20 miles per hour: Dry concrete, 21 feet; wet concrete, 26 feet; packed snow, chains, 40 feet; same, no chains, 69 feet; ice, chains, 88 feet; ice, no chains, natural rubber tires, 169 feet; same, synthetic rubber tires, 197 feet. And don't just look at the figures; try your car out on various surfaces and see for yourself what those distances mean. If you can find a safe place for it, practice driving on snow and ice. There's no better way to learn how easy it is to skid.

In all of the above I have not mentioned chains. Some people have only contempt for chains, while others object to them because, they say, chains ruin tires. Well, all I can say is, the fellow who says he doesn't need chains is a fool, while the one who worries about his tires would do better to start worrying about his health. Use chains, pal; you'll live longer. And when you must go through deep snow you'll love them, for chains will keep you rolling when nothing else will.

Always take the time to keep your windshield clear. I have seen so many dampfools trying to drive when their windshields were obscured except for a tiny hole the size of a half-dollar. When you can't see, and see well, pull over and clear off the glass. A few seconds lost may save your life.

Above all, keep cool. Panic won't help you any. Start gently, go slow, keep your distance, steer gently, stop gently—and stop only when you have to.



Champions and runners-up in the Midwest Deaf Golf Association tournament held in Delavan, Wisconsin in August. Left to right: Herb Duermeyer of Lincoln, Nebr., Class A champion; Wilbur Sawhill, Des Moines, second; Clyde Heberlein, Cambridge, Wis., 3rd; Karl Niklaus, Mt. Morris, Ill., Class B champ; Roger Dempewolf, Des Moines, 3rd; Philip Zola, Milwaukee, 2nd; John Dick, Milwaukee, Class C champ; Fred Sund, St. Paul, 2nd; Ralph Javore, 3rd.

Kathryn Caldcleugh and her father drove to Santa Fe in the second week of September. Kathryn came back to visit her former teachers and schoolmates. Kathryn's sojourn in New Mexico was short. She is back at her job at the Capitol National Bank at Austin, Texas. Kathryn reported that several deaf girls are holding down positions in several banks in Austin. They all seem to like their situations.

Victor Romero's daughter, Maria Cristella Romero, was Queen of Santa Fe's 241st annual Fiesta last August. Maria reigned over four days of gay and religious festivities. Ubaldo Gurule's tiny daughter rode in an open car which contained Queen Maria and her court in a parade during the course of the fiesta.

The Godfrey Adamses visited in Oklahoma and Mississippi on their annual trip. They reported a pleasant journey in their 1953 Chevrolet.

WASHINGTON, D. C. . . .

The local deaf picked up Sept. 5 Times-Herald daily only to be confronted with an announcement that the traffic director was holding a conference to cope with the huge traffic problems and accident rate. One of the topics listed in the press release touched licenses of those who do not possess sound hearing and urge for revocation of same. The local frats gave Auto Committee Chairman Al Fleischman full authorization to put up a fighting front and prevent such passage. With the aid of the NAD, NFSD, Dr. Elstad, Supt. Bjorlee, other groups and individuals, the traffic director's office was bombarded with protests. It turned out that the city editor misquoted the report which should have been "adoption of a sound hearing program for the improvement of drivers, with point system as a guide or yardstick, is urged." A public correction was made Sept. 14 and Traffic Director George E. Keneipp added his compliments rating the deaf autoists among the safest in the District. It will behoove all deaf drivers to watch their local papers for such nonsense and spring into action instead of being caught sleeping.

The District of Columbia Club of the Deaf voted to remain at the present address for another three years . . . Gerald Jordan has been taking pilot instructions . . . A farewell party was tendered to the Fred Collinses and the Vic Galloways at the Goodins' recreation rendezvous . . . C. Saunders and J. Copeland, ace basketballers from Palmetto, S.C., and Lancaster, Pa., teams, are now employed in DC and brighten the hopes of the hardwood boys for the coming season.

The local bowlers started the season with a festival at Edwin Engelgau's home and have started their strikes and spare trek at the Petworth alleys . . . The Kendall Alumni held its

first annual picnic on Kendall Green Labor Day with a patronage of over 200.

Leon Auerbach's mother spent a month with him and his family . . . Perry Monaghan was bound for the west coast. After a stay in Memphis, Tenn., with his folks, he returned with a 1953 Lincoln, cancelling all plans to go west . . . Julian Wertheim of Tampa, Florida, was honored with a gathering at the Fred Schreibers before her departure to teach at Illinois School . . . Gerald Jordan's mother took a rest from her duties at the Chrysler office and came to DC to see how her son is making out . . . Surprise birthday parties were given for Charles O'Connor and Meda Scott.

Tales of foreign visits are being told here and there and everybody is getting a laugh out of the funny incidents concurred when Reuben Altizer attended the international games in Belgium, J. Blackwell in Mexico, and the Al Fleischmans at Havana . . . Prof. Fufeld wrote an interesting article in the Times-Herald about the deaf and urged all hearing readers to take up learning finger spelling as their new hobbies.

The Leonard Laus took a trip to New York City . . . Velma Austin flew home to Florida for a short stay . . . The Alex Ewans vacationed in Akron . . . Maree Cooper took in the sights at Philadelphia . . . Minnie Bache, the Hobermans and Emerson Hodge made Atlantic City their vacation spot . . . The Herman Steckers motored in upstate New York . . . The Robert Panaras also were in California last summer . . . The George Singers took it easy at his father's farm in Maryland.

Two sets of twins blossomed in DC—to the Myron Lees and the Alfred Watsons. The Watson set later passed away . . . Awaiting Sir Stork are the Milton Friedmans, Emerson Hodges, Fred Schriebers, Gunnar Rath, and the Stevens . . . Rev. and Mrs. Otto Berg are

the proud parents of a boy, their second, born Sept. 9.

Arlene Stecker, former correspondent for this column, is at Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center, Fishersville, Va. and we hear that she is progressing nicely. She will appreciate hearing from her friends . . . Lucille Themis now realizes how sharp the blades of electric fans can be, having had two fingers cut by them . . . Ed Bonvillian is down with some leg pains . . . Charles Moscovitz is fully recovered and up to par from his hernia surgery . . . Warren Drake enjoys eating the delicious food he had to miss after recovering from his abdominal operation . . . The W. Woods moved back to Florida and Mr. is presently employed on one of the Miami dailies.

OREGON . . .

Mayhew Norton took a hurried trip south to California upon learning of the death of his youngest sister. Meanwhile, Ruby was in the mid-west visiting relatives. We hope next time they take a vacation nothing will happen to mar their pleasure.

Velma and Vernon Kastel trekked down to Berkeley, California, to visit brother Raymond and they certainly enjoyed themselves. Ray did a wonderful job as host to his sister and brother-in-law and they came back all agog with news of the folks down that way.

Elizabeth Gannon also journeyed southward but the heat brought her back home shortly and she insists that there is no place in this land of ours quite like Portland.

Alex Scott of Vancouver, B.C., dropped down to Portland recently. Employed by the Imperial Oil Co. of Canada, Alex lost no time in visiting the Standard Oil Co. here in Portland and found two deaf men working there, Konrad Hokanson and Kenneth Welch. Kenneth obligingly showed Alex around the huge plant and they had quite a chat comparing the two plants.

The Bill Ewasuks have treated themselves to a brand new home in Portland. The monotony of apartment living really got them down and the beautiful homes here were a temptation.

The Docktors are another young couple with a new home of their own. They are recent comers to Portland, hailing from North Dakota.

Paul and Zelma Walton are already settled in their new home and a houseful of new furnishings adds to their happiness in the cozy place. They want all their friends to know the latch string is out and the welcome mat spread.

We take pleasure in announcing the new Queen of the Rose City Club for the coming year. 'Tis none other than beauteous Myrtle Dare. Congratulations, Myrtle!

James McGuire has been ailing for quite a while but we learn that he is his old self again at this writing and has been seen in his usual haunts and at the local club doing his duties as secretary. And he is a good one, too!

The L. Hudsons made the headlines in the local papers recently when Junior got himself locked up in one of the local movie houses and was forced to spend the night there. A kindly policeman let him out the next morning and

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Junior says he will never take a nap in a theatre again.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Freisan of Seattle, relatives of Mrs. Kenneth Welch, announce the arrival of a third daughter born during the summer. They'll have to try again for the son they want so much.

Marie Eggers decided that all the guys with new cars were not going to put her in the shade. Marie up and purchased a 1953 Nash Rambler and is really going places showing off the nice new wagon.

NORTH DAKOTA-MINNESOTA . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Butenhoff of Baker, Minnesota, were honored on their 40th wedding anniversary on June 7th at a celebration attended by 100. The Butenhoffs have three children, all married.

Mrs. August Pederson and her two daughters, Joan and Doris, of Fargo, N. D., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Butenhoff at their chicken ranch in Lancaster, California, for two months during the summer, returning home in August 3. Aug, a grass widower during their absence, is glad to have his family back.

The Red River Valley Association of the Deaf had its annual picnic on June 28. Dancing and a social at the American Legion Hall provided the entertainment. Plans are being made for the 25th anniversary of the Association next summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ward of Fargo welcomed a new son last May 21st, their fourth child. His name is Rodney Lee. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clark, of Moorhead, Minn., are getting acquainted with a new daughter, born August 1st. They have named her Kathryn May.

New TV owners are the Gilman Nordhousens with a Crosley, Frank Kohlroser, an Admiral, August Pederson and Roy Ward, Westinghouse. All are 21-inch. The Fargo TV station went on the air for the first time June 1.

Gilman Nordhousen of Fargo suffered a fractured hip in a fall at his home, and has been on crutches. Gilman had just retired from the Fargo Forum, where he had been a linotype operator for 34 years, and has kept busy amusing his granddaughter. (The last number of THE SILENT WORKER reported the fall as having happened at Gilman's work, an error.)

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kohlroser and Marcia took a 5000-mile summer trip out to the West, visiting their brothers in Berkeley and Los Angeles. They met many old friends who had moved to the West, and returned home Sept. 7.

ARIZONA . . .

Friends around Phoenix were saddened by the death of Mrs. Willis Mote at a local hospital August 25 following a lengthy illness. Her maiden name was Nellie Rambis and she was a product of the Indiana School for the Deaf. She had lived in Phoenix the past 11 years. She was married to Willis Mote in 1944 and to the happy union came a little son in 1947. Nellie's death was attributed to leukemia and 40 pints of blood were used in a futile effort to save her life. Although confined to her home or the hospital during the past few years and unable to mingle with her many friends, Nellie was much loved by everyone who knew her. The deaf of Arizona extend their heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved husband, Willis, little son Danny, and Nellie's father and two sisters who survive.

The Ingram Lesters have returned to Phoenix from a five weeks' visit to Kentucky, where they visited family and friends and put in a good deal of fishing at Norris Lake near Knoxville, Tenn. They were on hand to take in the West Kentucky picnic at the Kentucky Dam Park during July, an event which takes place yearly and which brings together the deaf of western Kentucky, Tennessee, Missouri, and Indiana.

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The Silent Printer

By Ray F. Stallo

969 F Street, Apt. 4

San Bernardino, Calif.



*Who abhors monotony,
Each page a different length may be,
And hides his string-ends carefully*

—THE MAKE-UP MAN

According to a survey recently conducted, at least eight of the 48 states have their own State printing plants. California has the largest state-owned plant, the study showed; other states with printing plants are Oregon, Washington, Kansas, Maryland, Virginia, New Hampshire and North Carolina. The California plant employs 425; Oregon's 65; and Washington's 64. In annual volume of business, California's is given at \$8,500,000; Oregon's, \$1,800,000; Washington's, \$1,100,000. Information at hand does not state if there are any "silent printers" employed in these state plants. If there are any such, drop us a letter and tell us all about it.

A little news item in one of the trade journals tells of ten boys graduating from the Boardman Trade School, New Haven, Connecticut, having majored in printing. The article says these boys have completed a three-year course in the fundamentals of hand and machine composition, makeup, stone work, care of materials, hand fed and automatic job and cylinder presswork. Safety and the desire to do a good job are stressed constantly. Wonder how the printing classes in our schools for the deaf compare with this school.

Recently we have heard of a little machine called the Align-A-Mat and it is claimed that it restores worn alignment lugs on Linotype and Intertype mats perfectly. The dingus contains precisely ground openings for the various lugs subject to wear. The mat is inserted, and a jack holding a specially shaped and ground punch is struck with a small hammer. The lug is automatically restored to factory dimensions, says the manufacturer, and the repaired mats cast in perfect alignment. Might be of interest to you clumsy fingered lino ops.

Noticed an advertisement in one of the trade papers for a new kind of printing ink. The ad follows: "NEWEST DEVELOPMENT—POLKA DOT INK. This ink has recently been developed in our laboratories. Prints with bright, multi-color dots. Credit for this discovery must go to our head chemist, George C. Hassenfeefel. Mr. Hassenfeefel is no longer with us but may be reached at the "State Psychotherapeutic Asylum." Was gonna ask our boss to order a can but

think we better see what the attitude of the head sawbones at the local looney-bin is toward beards first.

Here's the lineup for this month's issue of the Amalgamated Directory of Deaf Printers:

Daniel B. Lewis, Printer and Pressman, Gimbel Brothers, Milwaukee, Wis. Bro. Daniel attended the Wisconsin School, where he learned the trade.

Jack Roland Hathway, Linotype operator, The Littel Printing Co., Madison, Wis. Bro. Jack also went to the Wisconsin School and also learned his trade there.

Steve Gilbert Goodin, Linotype operator, The Indianapolis Star, Indianapolis, Indiana. Stevie attended the Kentucky School but learned his trade elsewhere.

Raleigh J. Dupre, Pressman, Baton Rouge, La. Bro. Dupre attended the Louisiana School, where he learned the trade.

John A. Deady, Lithograph plate maker, Economy Lithograph Co., Los Angeles, Calif. Jack attended the American School in Connecticut and Galaudet. As far as our records show Jack is the only deaf plate maker.

Carlus A. Canady, Casemaker (book-binding), Pacific Library Bookbinding Co. Mr. Canady attended the North Carolina School.

Giffin Ivan Crowder, Linotype operator, Detroit Times, Detroit, Michigan. Ivan (the terrible?) attended the Tennessee and California Schools, where he learned the trade.

The column of another contributor to this illustrious magazine carried a little item that has proved no little embarrassing to us. The item reported that we were seen at the teachers convention in Vancouver clean shaven. We regret that we must admit the truth of the report. However, we hasten to assure all and sundry that by careful cultivation and the liberal application of hair tonic, our beard has almost regained its old time splendor. When the invitation to participate in the panel discussions of vocational education was extended a condition was attached. We were required to remove our beard since if we had appeared in all our hirsute glory the male teachers would have been so consumed with envy and the lady teachers so filled with admiration that they could not have given proper attention to the weighty matters discussed.



Miss Ann Parrish Garretson of Cincinnati, whose engagement to Albert F. Benedict has been announced.

Mr. MacLynch of Jeffersonville, Ind., is visiting in Phoenix following a trip to Los Angeles and down to Old Mexico. Mr. Lynch holds down a splendid position on the Louisville, Kentucky Courier-Journal and came out to the Valley of the Sun upon the orders of his doctor, who advised him to take a vacation. Local residents opine that Mac just might like Phoenix so well he'll go back to Indiana and pack up his family and return here to live. At least we do hope so.

Another visitor to Phoenix was Mr. Wesley Stone of Houston, Texas, who visited here briefly. We hear he has gone on up to Los Angeles possibly in search of greener pastures. Mr. and Mrs. John Wood enjoyed a pleasant week-end here also with Mr. and Mrs. Rue Shurtz. Manuel Medina has been welcomed back home to Phoenix after spending a whole year in Prescott. Mrs. Joe Peebles and children have been visiting her parents here and return soon to Los Angeles, where Joe is employed as a carpenter. Ella Meshake spent the whole summer visiting her niece in California. Mabel Morgan of the Tucson School faculty spent a couple of days with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Goree upon her return from the Teachers Convention in Washington.

The Phoenix (YMCA) Association of the Deaf held a novel Back to School Party the end of September with everyone coming dressed as school children. In charge of the happy event were Mr. and Mrs. Ingram Lester and Mr. and Mrs. Rue Shurtz. Those who came in their usual mode of dress were penalized with double-admission. The dignified elderly folks laughingly admitted to a "second childhood" and every one joined in with gusto with the many games involving arithmetic problems, drawing, and painting.

The William Wherrys took off October 5 by plane for Brooklyn, N. Y. where they will spend two weeks in Bill's old home town visiting friends and relatives. Bill still refers to Brooklyn as home, although he left Brooklyn when a mere lad and his father journeyed West to eventually settle in Phoenix.

George Lynch of Berkeley, Calif., stopped over in Phoenix recently just long enough to visit the Wherrys and Mrs. Babette Krayski. George was on his way to New York for a visit.

Harry Kingsley of Hollywood, Calif., made a

motor trip down to Phoenix by way of Boulder Dam and the Grand Canyon. While here, Harry was the house guest of the Gilbert Leons. Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hurley Dodson of Phoenix were Walter and Bea Morgan of Compton, Calif., who came down the past summer to visit Arizona friends.

Guest at the home of the Paul Andersons in Phoenix for two weeks was Mrs. Mary Worsham Coll of Olathe, Kansas. At the termination of her visit Mary and the Andersons were invited to a pleasant gathering at the home of the William Wherrys as a farewell gesture.

The Paul Andersons motored to Holbrook, where they spent their vacation with Eda's parents. The Gilbert Leons and the four offspring spent two happy weeks taking in the sights of Zion National Park, Bryce Canyon, Salt Lake City, Yellowstone Park, Denver, and down through New Mexico on the return trip to Phoenix.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlin Smith of Los Angeles stopped over briefly in Phoenix during the past summer to see Charlie Vickers. They were on their way to Corpus Christi, Texas, with Mrs. Smith's mother accompanying them.

We hope Ralph Bourn will be careful next time he climbs a ladder. Ralph spent a week in a local hospital with a couple of broken ribs, the result of a fall from a ladder while installing a cooling system. We are glad he is well again and suffered no serious injury.

Leo Bonham, who spent the winter with his daughter here last year recuperating from an illness, returned home to Indiana during the summer. He is expected back soon to spend another mild Winter 'neath the Arizona sun.

Other visitors to our own town the past summer were Mrs. Helen Melton of Inglewood, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. David Jones of Palm Springs. The Joneses were on their way to Maryland.

A Canasta Party was enjoyed on a recent evening at the William Wherry home. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Miller, Charles Vickers, and Manuel Medina. The Wherry residence is a popular gathering place here in Phoenix.

The James Langfords and the family of their married daughter have returned from a pleasant trip up to the Grand Canyon and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bourn took advantage of a month's vacation to drive up to Sacramento, Calif., to visit the homes of their married children.

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Allen of Inglewood, Calif., passed through Phoenix not long ago on their way home from a hurried call to Altus, Oklahoma, where Mrs. Allen's mother was ill. They found time for brief stop-overs in Dallas, Tex., Farmington, N.M., and Durango, Colo. While here they were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Miller. Mr. Allen is employed at the Airesearch Corporation in Inglewood.

Lucky residents invited to a pot-luck supper served on the lawn of the Wherry home September 20 were Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Leon, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Anderson, and Miss Mabel Roberts.

Vito Don Diego who left Phoenix last April on a trip to Europe has finally been heard from in Washington, D. C. In a letter to the Wherrys Don told of the places he had visited in Switzerland, France, Germany, Holland, and in England where he was present at the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth. Don went first to Italy, his native country, from which he emigrated at the age of five years when his parents came to the U.S. Don will be back in Phoenix soon and all of us are eagerly awaiting a firsthand account of his wonderful journey.

Thanks to Mary Ann Lester and Frank Miller for their fine help in assembling the Arizona news.

OHIO . . .

The saddest—yet the nicest—news that has originated in Cincinnati for a long time was that our friendly, gracious Ann had given her

heart to the man of her choice.

The engagement of Ann Garretson to Albert Frank Benedict of Lincoln, Neb., has been announced, with the wedding date as yet unselected, but probably occurring next year. Ann needs no introduction, for as a beauty contest winner, a student at Stephens College in Columbus, Mo., and lately as a dress designer for Fashion Frocks of Cincinnati, she has been mentioned frequently in these columns. Ann is a graduate of the Central School for Deaf in St. Louis.

Frank is in business for himself in his home town as a flooring contractor. And that is our chief gripe against him, because he will take our Ann so far away after their marriage.

Ann is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Garretson, Mr. Garretson being a widely-known and read columnist of the Cincinnati Times-Star. Frank's grandfather was superintendent of the Nebraska School for the Deaf.

Ann's wide circle of friends wish her and her fiancé a lifetime of happiness and prosperity.

On Saturday, Sept. 12, Pearl Daulton engineered a wiener roast, in Mt. Airy Forest in honor of Ann Garretson and her fiancé, Frank Benedict, with about a dozen friends taking part in the fun.

A number of hilarious games were played during the afternoon and these games wetted the appetites, so the wieners never had a chance when the time finally came for roasting the wieners which tasted delicious even if generally burnt into the appearance of a stick of charcoal. Potato salad, relishes, liquid refreshments, etc., rounded out the meal. It was a very pleasant afternoon.

Those attending were Ann and Frank, Howard Stapleton, May Patterson, Pauline Niven, Mr. and Mrs. George Mangold, Elizabeth Bacheberle, Gus Straus, Ray Grayson and the hostess, Pearl Daulton.

LeRoy Duning and Ray Grayson, local chairman and secretary of the 1955 Diamond Jubilee Convention, are proudly sporting special notebooks, hand made "with loving care" by Arthur Hinch, a skilled bookbinder. The loose-leaf note books are bound in black artificial Moroccan leather and wherever you see Duning or Grayson, you will see the notebooks, which are proving useful in a thousand ways. Thanks, Art, for your thoughtfulness!

On Saturday evening, August 29, Mary and Clarence Bender invited a number of friends to their home for a little party in honor of Casper and Oleta Jacobson of Columbus. The Jacobsons had recently returned from a vacation trip through the west after attending the teacher's convention in Vancouver, Wash. As the Jacobsons had taken a number of rolls of color film during their trip, a good part of the evening was spent in viewing the projected slides with a running comment by Casper. Color slides of the vacation trip of the Graysons through New England and Canada were also shown—so trips to both coasts were enjoyed during the evening.

As the evening was perfect the slides were shown outdoors in the backyard. The party broke up late, after a midnight snack.

Besides the guests of honor, those attending were Mr. and Mrs. A. Watters, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bender, Mr. and Mrs. L. Duning, Mr. and Mrs. A. Morlock, Mr. and Mrs. F. Kiefer, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Barrowcliff, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Grayson, Jack Parsons and the hosts.

How time does fly! On Sunday, Sept. 20, the Greater Cincinnati Silent Club held its

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry Butenhoff of Baker, Minnesota, who celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on June 7.

ninth annual outing at the C.A.C. grounds along the Ohio River in Ludlow, Ky. There was a large crowd in attendance. The Ladies' Club served their usual delicious roast beef dinner at a most reasonable price.

The highlight of the afternoon was the drawing for the benefit of the 1955 convention fund. Due to the hard work of Leslie Honicon, who conceived and carried out the project, with the help of his wife, Eunice Honicon, and Mrs. Harriet Duning, who acted as treasurer, this project was a huge success, netting a fine profit that will go a long way toward swelling the convention treasury. The story of this affair will be more fully written up in the "Inside Greater Cincinnati" page of the SW.

Winners were: Dan Hipson of Columbus, M. B. Dallas of Latonia, Ky., Delores Rose of Louisville and R. G. Gosney of Cincinnati.

Early in September Bob Hulley completed another of his fast-traveling vacations, spending two weeks whirlwinding through the east, taking in Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, New York and any number of other cities. Bob happened to be passing through Cleveland at the time of that gas explosion that blew up a street and was within a short distance of it when the explosion let go, so he was able to see the damage within a few minutes after it occurred.

OKLAHOMA . . .

News comes that our VOLLIE Sullivan Hay and her Richard have pulled up stakes and moved from Oklahoma City to Kentucky. The only news we could rake up this month comes

from Mrs. Joe Stinson of Tulsa and we hope she will be a regular correspondent so that Oklahoma will appear in the news each month.

Big doin's are ahead for the Tulsa Club of the Deaf with Cora Stinson holding forth as presiding officer for the coming year. The organization is planning an affair for this winter which will boost the Oklahoma Association's funds and on the agenda for November 7th is a Movie Night which will feature films of local Oklahomans who now live in and around Southern California. The films are tentatively set for showing at the Tulsa Club on the above date and residents from far and near are urged to converge on Tulsa that evening. The movies belong to John and Jerry Fail of Long Beach, Calif., and are said to be highly interesting and entertaining. Paul Newell has offered his services as well as his movie projector.

Several Oklahoma residents have asked about subscribing to the WORKER. Yearly subscriptions are \$3.50 and checks or money orders should be made payable to THE SILENT WORKER, 2495 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley 4, California.

Rumor has it that Arnold Wright of Pauls Valley is busily organizing a Club for the Deaf of Southwestern Oklahoma. Best wishes to Arnold for the success of his project.

The recent wedding of Miss Helen Zobisch to Mr. Clarence Hill in Shawnee was attended by Mrs. Cleo Hawkins and daughter in company with Mrs. Lavona Thompson of Tulsa.

Edward and Clemmie Hukill journeyed up to Kansas City, Mo., not long ago, where they were guests at a party; Rosemary Stapp has been enrolled in the second grade at the Sulphur school this year. She is the daughter of the Fred Stapps of Tulsa; the Orville Ingles were hosts to Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Thomas of Wichita, Kan., over the recent Labor Day holidays; Joe and Cora Stinson went along with the Paul Newells on a fishing trip to Tenkiller Lake near Tahlequah one recent week end and we are wondering what luck they had.

Otto Davis, Fred Stapp, and Joe Stinson are busily taking in the big football games, now that the grid season is at hand.

The Tulsa Club of the Deaf observed its 7th Anniversary September 12 with Mrs. Floyd Ashcraft of Srawnee as guest speaker. Everyone present got a piece of the birthday cake and free ice cream as befits all birthday observations.

Mr. and Mrs. William Woods entertained house guests not long ago when the Tom Darrons of Edmond came to town and the James Grays have just returned home from a trip to Kansas City, Mo. where they really took in the town and greatly enjoyed visiting the deaf clubs of K. C.

In a letter telling us of her and Dick's move to Kentucky, VOLLIE Hay sends a bit of news of Oklahoma residents. This may be the last time VOLLIE will cover the state of Oklahoma but we expect great things of her once she is settled in Kentucky. Richard is already in Louisville working at the *Courier-Journal* as a typesetter and VOLLIE is packing up to join him anon. Both regret leaving Oklahoma City but all good wishes go with them to the new home in Kentucky.

The University of Oklahoma's football team includes Gene, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Calame of Norman. The September 26 game between the O.U. and Notre Dame at Norman attracted quite a goodly crowd of deaf folk who are staunch admirers of young Gene.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Walker are mighty homesick for Oklahoma City and news comes that they'll be returning soon. Mr. and Mrs. Gus Falke are going to California, locating somewhere up near Oakland and Billy and Elsie Reynolds are reportedly still up in Colorado.

The Oklahoma Association of the Deaf bade a regretful farewell to Mrs. Richard Hay September 26 when she handed in her resignation



Another who celebrated long-time wedded bliss on Aug. 8, Mr. and Mrs. James Hubay of Los Angeles, who have been married 25 years.

as Association Secretary, a post she held most capably. (What is this we hear about VOLLIE shedding some 30 odd pounds? Hear tell she has her girlish figure back again and Dick better watch the Kentucky swains. News Ed.)

NEBRASKA . . .

Mrs. Edith Osmun, supervisor of older girls at the Nebraska School, spent most of her summer vacation in Los Angeles, Calif., where she visited old friends and made new ones. She was the guest of the Isaac Wittwers for some time. (Mrs. Wittwer, formerly Grace Mason, was her classmate at school years ago.) On her way back home she stopped in Denver to call on her brother, Ray Anderson, formerly of Omaha, and then returned in time to report for work at the school. She was away two months.

There were five deaf "aliens" in Omaha during the recent Labor Day weekend; they were the Albert Barbers and the Charles Pettits of Los Angeles and Edward Kaercher of Pennsylvania. The Barbers had come to visit Albert's sister, Mr. Charlotte Dey, and they brought the entire family with them—four girls, and it was their first time back to Omaha in eleven years. The Pettits were stopping in Omaha on their way back home from Alabama, and they visited Charles' relatives, among them Mrs. Grace Scheneman and Robert Pettit, sister and brother of Charles.

A large reception was held in honor of the Barbers and the Pettits Tuesday night, September 8th, at the home of the Schenemans, and there were about 40 people present, all of them either schoolmates or classmates of Albert and Dorothy Barber and Charles Pettit at N.S.D., way back in the '20's.

Mr. Kaercher was visiting his wife, our Lillian Hamann, who had been home in Omaha through the summer, and they were going back East to their home in New York State.

There were two more marriages among the local deaf in Omaha during the early part of September, besides the 5 or 6 already mentioned in the previous issues of THE SILENT WORKER. Arthur Nelson and Norma Seaton, both of Omaha, were married Saturday night, the 5th, at Trinity Cathedral (Episcopalian) before a large assemblage of guests, some of them from Iowa, and they left immediately after the wedding for California on their honeymoon. Arvid Trickey and Dorothy Corliss, both of Omaha, were married the next day, the 6th, in the afternoon at the Bethle-

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hem Lutheran Church with Rev. Mr. Mappes officiating, and there were about 85 guests present.

The recent Labor Day week-end was quite a full and busy one for the Omaha Frat Div. No. 32 with their triple feature entertainment—meeting, smoker and picnic—Saturday and Sunday, the 5th and 6th. Everything went off without a hitch, and all committees did their work and many people came to each affair, so it can be said that the whole thing was a big success. First, the meeting had an unusually large attendance of about 50 members, including 10 non-residents, and second, the smoker was a good and mirth-provoking one, and there was a record-breaking number of initiates—9 of them—to ride the Old Goat, and the smoker committee certainly had their hands full for a while with John Rervolinski as chairman. Those 9 members initiated were: Edward Maier, of Arapahoe, Neb.; Roland Hunt of Minden, Nebr.; Jack Cafferty of Hastings, Nebr.; Glen Wengert of Oxford, Nebr.; Frank Stewart of Farnam, Nebr.; and Delbert Meyer, Laverne Haynes, Don Jeck and Lee A. Myers, all of Omaha.

Third, the annual Frat picnic at Spring Lake Park in Omaha the day after the meeting and smoker had about 150 people present, including the committee and the children. The chairman was Roy Sparks, President of the Omaha Division, and those on his committee were Messrs. Eggleston, Phillips, Langer, Tom Peterson, and Vernon Meyer, and they were in turn assisted by their wives—all Aux-Frats. The refreshment counter was easily the most popular spot at the picnic, and long before the end, everything on the counter was swept clean from sandwiches to pop, which is a rare occurrence. The committee had a meeting after the picnic, and they were simply astounded to find that they had made a profit of \$80.00, believed to be the largest ever known for a local picnic of deaf people.

The Omaha Club of the Deaf hereby announces that the 9th Annual MAAD Basketball Tournament which it is sponsoring will be held at Central High School in Omaha Friday and Saturday, Feb. 19 and 20, 1954, and that the headquarters will be the Rome Hotel on 16th and Jackson Sts., a mere 10 minutes walk from the high school. The MAAD meetings will be in the Crystal Room at the hotel, and the dance in the Ballroom of the same hotel, and there will be a luncheon Friday noon in the hotel for the MAAD officers and delegates and other people, which will be something new for them.

The OCD basketball tournament committee, headed by Tom Peterson, Chairman, has had two meetings before and after the first week of September and they voted for the above dates and for the Rome as headquarters. Information will be furnished in detail on this tournament later through the medium of THE SILENT WORKER and other papers and circulars.

It is with profound regret that we record here the death of Mrs. Katherine Neujahr, most beloved and popular Omaha deaf woman, wife of Hans A. Neujahr, which occurred Thursday, September 3rd. She was formerly Katherine Slocum, graduate of the Nebraska School and of Gallaudet College (Class '36), and was a teacher at the Nebraska School over ten years. She was a member of the Nebraska Association of the Deaf, Omaha Club of the Deaf, and Omaha Aux-Frats, and her presence at the meetings and parties of deaf people will be sorely missed. She was a highly-educated and well-bred lady, and her passing leaves a big void hard to fill, because there are so few people like her. There was a large funeral with many people present from both Omaha and Council Bluffs and elsewhere, and interment was made in Hillcrest Cemetery. Among the survivors besides husband Hans A. are their son, Bruce E., a junior at Benson

High, and Cecil Slocum, prominent Omaha man and director of the Omaha Symphony Orchestra.

The Tom Petersons are in the midst of their annual vacation (from whence this news was sent) and it finds them near Washington, D. C., in Alexandria, Virginia, where they are staying with Mrs. Peterson's son, John Flood and Lorraine, his wife. The Floods have a baby boy, just four months old, and Mrs. Peterson is just crazy over her new grandchild. Tom and Dolly went to Washington by plane Sunday September 13 and it was the first plane trip for Dolly in her entire life. They used the United Air Lines from Omaha to Chicago and the TWA from Chicago to Washington, and the trip took only 4½ hours.

CALIFORNIA . . .

Announcements have been mailed telling of the Connie Marchione-Dorothy Foley nuptials which take place in Los Angeles at 10 a.m. the morning of October 17. Connie was given a rousing send-off by his cronies at a Stag Party at the home of Roger Skinner the evening of October 9. Pete Koukoutsakis was tendered a similar party a few days before he took Gloria Gonzales as his bride.

The local basketball teams are getting down to brass-tacks and Lou Dyer is back in harness with the Los Angeles team which boasts several new players and should be "hotter" than ever the coming season. Alvin Klugman is running for coach of the Hollywood team and his appointment seems a foregone conclusion. John Fail is leading the up and coming Long Beach Beachcombers' who play host to the '54 Far West Tournament in that city come February 26-27.

The Southland's daily TV program "Queen for a Day" recently featured Mrs. Martha Farnsworth of Long Beach, the former Martha Craig. Martha won first place over several

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other contestants in the show and amongst the many awards she received were a deep-freeze; a garbage disposal unit; sterling silver tea service; silverware; a Hilbros wrist watch; a Mohawk rug, an electric lighter; a Dormeyer Mixer; a hearing aid; 1 dozen pair of nylons; three dresses and one suit, besides other things. Besides that, Martha and her hearing husband were royally entertained at Lucci's, the Sportsmen's Club, and the Mocambo Night Club and were flown up to San Francisco, where they were the guests of Mr. Hoberg of the famous Hoberg resort. Mr. Hoberg personally escorted the Farnsworths to the Berkeley school campus where Martha marvelled at the changes that had taken place at her Alma Mater since her departure.

The end of August saw something different take place out at the Long Beach Club. The Grimes, the Parks, the Fails, the Melvin O'Neals, Ross Bailey, Lon Brown, Robert Newberry, Jay Grider, and Earl Harmonson really went to town with their LBCD Night Club and reporters and photographers from the *Press-Telegram* were on hand to write up the event which resulted in Jay, Jerry, Ross, Bob Sewell, and Jackie James getting their pictures splashed all over the front pages of the local newspaper.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Williams of Santa Cruz showed up at the San Jose Club in September with their baby daughter born last March. Bob beamed with fatherly pride at the ohs and ahs his lovely infant attracted from the admiring crowd and readily signed up for a year's subscription to *THE SILENT WORKER*. Mrs. Williams was admitted to membership in the S. J. Club that evening too.

Waite and Mae Mead of Long Beach decided to be different this year and so when Waite's vacation time rolled around the two of them journeyed hither and yon around Southern Calif. taking in the nearby points of interest instead of driving thousands of miles

as they had always done previously. Both declare it was their nicest vacation in years and they really became acquainted with their home state.

Complimented upon the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary were Mr. and Mrs. William H. Tripp of San Francisco. The Tripps were royally feted the afternoon of Saturday, September 26 at the home of their hearing daughters, Mrs. Fred Ertman and Mrs. Herman Hollenbeck up in Daly City.

And now, we swing south again to the Los Angeles area where there have been some big doings lately. Let us be brief however . . . California does take up quite a bit of space in Swinging, doesn't it! Beauteous Dorothy Foley was honoree at a Bridal Shower given by Mamie Holmes, Shirley R., Norma Lea, and Dianne Carlin on Friday evening, September 18. Dorothy was showered with many lovely items with which she will make a delightful home for herself and Constantino Marchione when they are married in October. The wedding of gorgeous Gloria Gonzales and Pete Koukoutsakis took place at 2 o'clock the afternoon of Sunday, September 20 at Madeline's Wedding Chapel on South Broadway in Los Angeles. A reception was held in the Chapel Patio immediately following the ceremony, which was witnessed by many friends of the popular young couple. Another wedding of interest is coming up for October 24, when little Pat Jobe and Frank Luna promise to "love and obey." We're awaiting for an "invite" to the wedding, kids!

Jesse C. Brown of Redondo Beach and Mrs. Carol Beaudette were married in a quiet ceremony September 5 in Santa Ana at the home of Mrs. Mary Moesser with the Reverend Gray officiating. The bride comes to the Southland from Lompoc, Calif. The couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Katz and Carol's sister, Faith Shaw, and are now "at home" at the Moesser residence in Santa Ana.

Mary Moesser entertained Mr. and Mrs. Philip Katz and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Brown together with Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins and Mr. and Mrs. Schmandt of Santa Maria at a birthday dinner September 13. Mary delightedly confessed to being 81 years young and received many lovely gifts from the guests who were also joined by Mr. and Mrs. Willie Cheney and Mrs. Theresia Williams later in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Welte of Cincinnati, after visiting their children in Tulare, stopped over in Los Angeles to visit Mr. and Mrs. Grant Martin. Mrs. Maude Haver of Cleveland was also in town for a visit with her aunt. Grant and Bernice gave a dinner for all of them and invited former school mates to the feast, among them Milton Miller, Julian Singleton, nad Mrs. Tage Samuelson.

Miss Hannah Carlin of Portland, Oregon, and formerly of Minnesota, spent two happy weeks in and around Los Angeles with her sister, Mrs. Frank Walser, of Palmdale and was also a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Ramsel at their Los Angeles home. A friendship of many years standing was renewed when Hannah spent a week end with Miss Doris Mycue, the two having attended the Minnesota School together. Los Angeles' Minnesota colony turned out in full force to greet Hannah and she loved meeting her old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Doan of Modesto drove down south in mid-September to take in the local Clubs and happily met up with many old friends from Arizona and Texas. Mrs. Laddie Zeman of Chicago is currently visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Tallent of Los Angeles for a month.

Just as we cleared the stack of California correspondence along comes a letter telling us that Elmer and Noreen Long of Manhattan Beach are in the market for a second edition to the mischievous little red-head who has been their pride and joy these past seven years.

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The News Editor has a new address, 344 Janice Street, North Long Beach, California. All correspondents please take note and, yes... we've joined the list of happy home-owners after 10, these many years. Did I say happy? Between you and me and the fence-post, I think our troubles have just begun. Out on Jackson Street we had the biggest lawn in town and we always opined that when we bought our own we'd choose a place with a 2 x 4 lawn. But you guessed it, the new place is on a 76 x 112 foot lot and we're in the market for a power-mower, no less!

More post-teachers convention visitors in the Bay area were the John O'Briens stopping with the Andrew MacConos and the Farquhars of Fulton, Mo., stopping with the Irvan Woodruffs in Berkeley. The Stephen Koziars of Fulton spent quite a while in California, stopping with the Emil Ladners and the Felix Kowlewskis and with relatives in San Francisco and the Los Angeles area, and camping at Yosemite.

The Frank Kohlrosers of Moorhead, Minn., and daughter Marcia, drove down to California to visit relatives in Berkeley and Los Angeles. Mrs. Sam Samshal, mother of Mrs. Bernice Christensen of Gregory Gardens, Concord, accompanied them and stayed over for a long-looked for visit with her daughter and family.

Lee and Polly Stanton and Ed and Vicki Santillanes of Los Angeles left the children with the girls' mother there and spent a few days enjoying the sights and famed restaurants of San Francisco. They went out to Gregory Garden to visit the Felix Kowlewskis but missed Felix as he had just changed back to a night shift. However they had an enjoyable visit with Laura K., with whom they attended Gallaudet.

The name of Andrew MacCono made its annual appearance in the Eastbay are newspapers as committeeman for the annual marathon races at the Walnut Creek Festival.

One of the highlights of the summer season just past was the wedding of the daughter of the Harry Jacobs of Berkeley, Almer, to Jack Allman. A gift shower was held at the EBCD and the attractive bride received many lovely gifts from well-wishers who have long appreciated her many voluntary services as interpreter.

George Lynch has left the California School for a supervisor's position at the Arizona school; Angela Watson has also left us for a like position at the Texas School. George's acting talents will be missed, and Angela's ready wit and pleasant personality will be Texas' gain. Best wishes and good luck go with them from all of us.

After shuttling back and forth several times between New York and California, Abe Hirsion seems to have settled down in Oakland with his high-school age son and daughter. He was very fortunate in obtaining a situation as floorman at the *Oakland Tribune* only a week after he put up his slip on the sub board.

Among new babies in the news are a boy for the LeRoy Pates and a girl for the Charles Coreys; coming events for the Calton James of Eldridge and the Bob Guerres of Oakland.

The Bert Lenendorfs of San Lorenzo are back from a vacation trip to Betty's folks in Indiana. They had a pleasant visit with Superintendent Raney at the school at Indianapolis and with many friends along the route. returning by way of Los Angeles.

Chips off the old block, Richard and David, the 10-year-old twin sons of Chess Editor Ladner, play chess at the Sonoma, California, Chess Festival.



CHECKMATE!

By

"Loco" Ladner



Even though the first and second tournaments have not been completed, we have started the third one!

This one will be different as it will be a round-robin affair with each player meeting every other player in two games. There will be no sections and no play-off. Eleven players have signed up for Class A and four for Class B.

The Class A players are Russell Chauvenet of Maryland, Kenneth Mantz of Detroit, Lorenzo Campi of Santa Rosa, California, Einer Rosenkjar of Van Nuys, Robert Skinner of Los Angeles, Edward Shipley of Baltimore, Juan F. Font of New York, Robert Kanapell of Jeffersonville, Indiana, Lawrence Leitson of Cleveland, J. W. Stevenson of Riverside, California, and Emil Ladner of Berkeley. All except Chauvenet, Campi, and Mantz have played in previous tournaments of the deaf. Chauvenet has been champion of Virginia several times and is rated a very strong player. Campi has had considerable experience in playing strong opponents but this is apparently his first postal chess. Mantz is an unknown quality and may be a dark horse (are there still horses in Michigan?)

The last named players will not start until later because they are still playing in previous tournaments and it would not be fair to saddle them with more games than the others are handling at present.

Class B has four entries at present and these have started play: Byron B. Burnes, Joseph C. Lacey, Jr., Harold

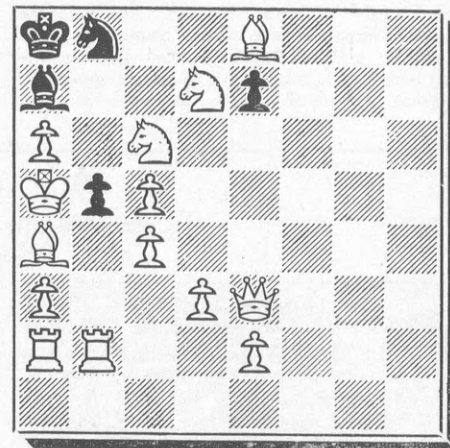
Ramger, and Bernard Bragg, all of California.

Regulations have been sent to these players in both classes and each player is urged to study them and abide by them.

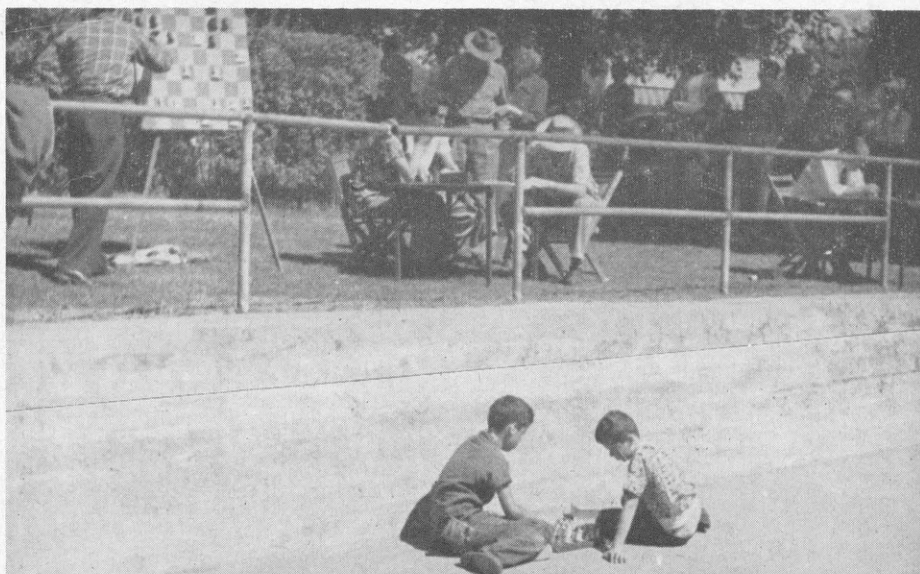
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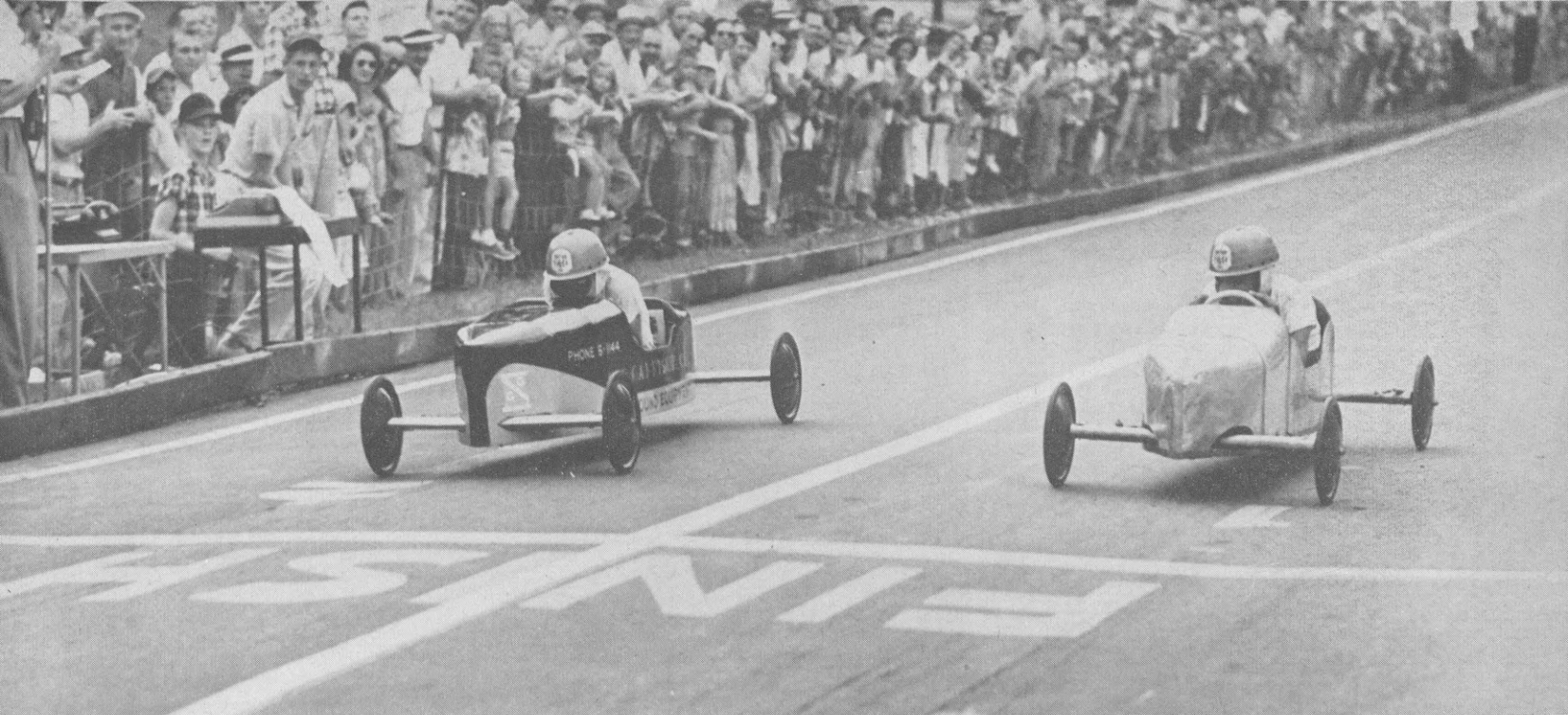
Ye Chess Editor attended the Third Annual Valley of the Moon Chess Festival held at Sonoma last August. About 250 were attracted to the festival and actually played. Whole families entered different competitions for prizes and trophies. Even the youngsters competed. The Editor was fortunate to be arranged against less strong players and he won two book prizes. One of the prizes was given for solving four problems correctly. Here is one of them. Let's see if you could have solved it too:

Sonoma Valley Chess Festival



White to play and mate in two moves





Eddie Hayse, right, nips Kenny Vick in the championship dash of the Greater Little Rock, Arkansas, Soap Box Derby. As far as we know, Eddie is the first deaf boy to win a Soap Box Derby.
—Photo courtesy the Arkansas Gazette, Little Rock.

Deaf Boy is Winner in Little Rock Soap Box Derby

Participates in All-American Finals at Akron, Ohio

ONE CHAMPION couldn't hear the cheers of the huge throng at the 16th All-American Soap Box Derby, the greatest amateur racing event in the world, held at the famed Derby Downs, Akron, Ohio, August 9, 1953. He was 15-year-old Eddie Hayse, champion from Little Rock, Ark.

Eddie is the first deaf boy ever to win a city Soap Box Derby. A student at the Arkansas School for the Deaf, he had to wait for an interpreter before expressing his feelings after winning before 5,500 persons in the Greater Little Rock Soap Box Derby last July 19.

The expression on his face really told the story, however. No one ever has to hear the voice of a Derby champion to know what he is feeling after winning.

His racer was sponsored by Dr. Guy Smith, a partially blind chiropractor in Little Rock and a member of the board of trustees of the school for the deaf.

Using the sign language with Roy G. Parks, superintendent of the Arkansas School for the Deaf interpreting, Eddie said the same things all the champions said after winning their big races, "I don't know what to say."

An active Boy Scout, Eddie is the Arkansas state high school wrestling champion in the 117-pound class and last Spring won the state AAU title in the same division.

Eddie naturally couldn't acknowledge the congratulations he received, nor hear the words of praise that echoed about him as he received the T. H. Keating Trophy, and he was joyful at winning. But his steady eyes failed to show

excitement. He was calm and collected about the whole matter, a real champion.

Arthur Crow, shop instructor at the School and Little Rock Boys' Club, was Eddie's confidant and adviser during the three months it took him to build his aluminum and gold racer. He was encouraged to enter the city Derby by Mr. Parks and Dr. Smith.

There were few odds favoring Eddie when he lined up with Kenny Vick of North Little Rock in the final event, Kenny boasted the fastest time of the day, 31.2 seconds down the 972-foot runway. But somehow Eddie's racer was the better one in spite of its fastest time of 31.5.

A slight headwind hindered both racers on the course and they raced axle to axle until the last 150 feet. Then Eddie's car inched ahead and the finish line judges figured he was six inches the winner.

Eddie didn't realize he had won when he applied his brakes past the line. Policemen grabbed him and turned his racer around, then Lion Clubbers and schoolmates clapped him on the shoulder.

The following was clipped from the *Arkansas Gazette* for Monday, July 20, 1953, which tells the story about the Greater Little Rock Soap Box Derby:

Fifteen-year-old Eddie Hayse of North Little Rock, an habitual hard-luck youngster who has been deaf since birth, won the biggest prize of his life yesterday by whizzing to an eye-lash victory over 12-year-old Kenny Vick in the finale of the *Gazette's* eighth Greater Little Rock Soap Box Derby.

A boisterous crowd of 5,500 persons cheered

the dark-haired Deaf School student as his silver-colored aluminum racer crossed the finish line at East Jonesboro Drive less than six inches ahead of Vick's flying black box.

"The people's choice," besides winning a \$300 motor scooter and other valuable awards, earned an all-expense paid trip to the All-American Derby at Akron, Ohio's fabulous Derby Downs next month. Eddie has never traveled out of Pulaski County.

Wide-eyed Eddie sat in his racer calmly rubbing a grease smudge on his cheek as hundreds pushed toward the champ near the finish line. He didn't even smile until vivacious Dixie Lee Hopkins — Miss Little Rock — kissed him once and then repeated the performance three times for *Gazette* photographer Larry Obsitnik and radiomen.

Newspapermen had to find an interpreter before they could ask the Deaf School student how he felt to be a Derby champion. He nodded that he felt "real good."

Sponsored in the race by the Board of Trustees at the Deaf School, Eddie indicated he didn't have any idea of winning the race. Just like last year's champ, Jack Nuckols, Eddie had never steered his car down the speedway until his first heat yesterday.

The championship dash wasn't the fastest of the 71 race, two-hour program. But it was one of a half-dozen that had Billy Mitchell's expert panel of judges and timers pondering what it had seen when the racers streaked past their stand.

Both cars were traveling at better than 20 miles-an-hour, and it was impossible to tell which was leading as they zipped down the 72-foot track.

The championship nod was the seventh of the afternoon for Hayse. He had bested Ray Alexander, Bill Tullman, Billy Toland, Lynn James, Ray Loetscher and Alfred Fowler before climbing into the small cockpit for the most important race. He was clocked twice at 31.4 seconds.

Vick, sponsored by the George Harrison Company, had the fastest times of the day. When he made a 31.2 second run early in the program, and repeated that time in coasting to the Class B championship, most people

were ready to concede that no one would halt him.

But Vick and Hayse had to buck a slight headwind and the winner finished in 31.7 seconds. Vick still recorded the best time ever for a Little Rock Derby. His 31.2 was three-tenths of a second better than Nuckol's winning time in 1952.

Some of the best times were turned in by Ray Loetscher, the twin whose compact white racer looked like the one to beat after early heats. But Ray bowed to Hayse in the Class A semifinals.

Ray's brother, Clay, also won a couple of heats to cause some spectators to speculate that the championship run would be a family affair. But Clay, racing in the Class B division, was erased, too. Both said they would return for another shot next year.

The event, similar to Soap Box Derbies staged in 156 other cities in America, was the smoothest yet. The field of 72 topped by 10 the 1952 entry and yesterday's program was run off an hour faster. The first heat was off at 2:02, and Hayse accepted the T. H. Keating Plaque from H. C. Ellison of Memphis, shortly after 4. Ellison is the district zone manager for the Chevrolet Division, which directs the national Derby program.

Nuckols, the clean-cut 1952 champ who lost his first heat at Akron to a photo finish before 65,000, was among the first to congratulate Eddie yesterday. Nuckols gave the new king a brotherly hug and said he thought Hayse would win, or come close to it, at Akron.

One of the most interested onlookers yesterday was Little Rock Mayor Pratt Rummel, who was as excited as the participants. The Mayor thought more than one of the close finishes were dead heats.

Rummel was one of the special guests who took part in a pre-race parade down the speedway. Others, besides the honored boys in the race, were Miss Little Rock, North Little Rock Mayor Ross Lawhon, County Judge Arch Cambell, Traffic Judge William J. Kirby and Sheriff Tom Guley.

And below is an editorial which appeared in the same paper:

The Champ

When Eddie Hayse streaked across the finish line at Little Rock's Soap Box Derby a mere six inches ahead of Kenny Vick he couldn't hear the roars from the crowd that signaled his victory. And

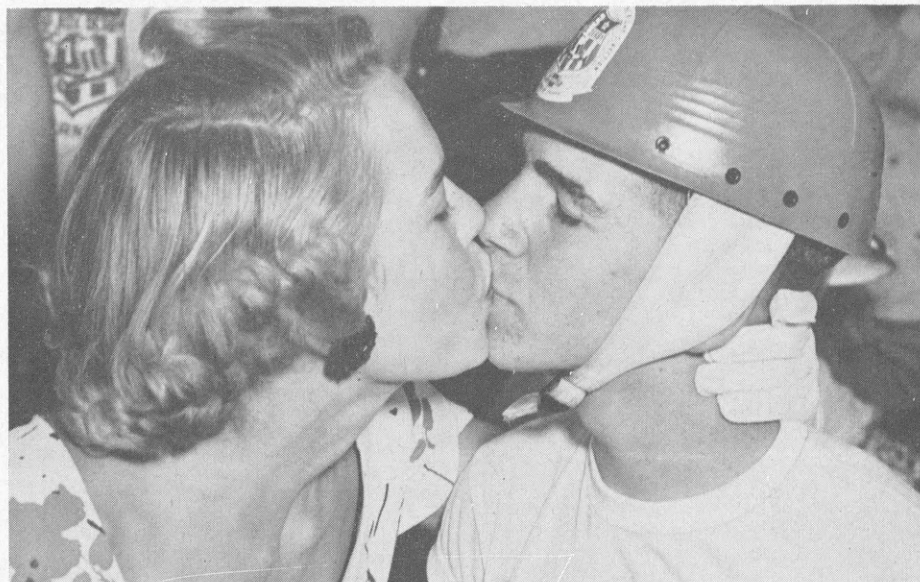


Photo courtesy the Arkansas Gazette, Little Rock

Above, Eddie Hayse receives the tribute that comes to all racing champions when Dixie Lee Hopkins, Miss Little Rock of 1953, plants a resounding smacker on his lips, to the applause of 5,500 spectators. Eddie is wearing the championship crown.

when reporters crowded around to ask him how he felt about it all he couldn't reply until an interpreter arrived to read his nimble, flashing fingers.

Eddie is a student at the Arkansas School for the Deaf. For all his 15 years he has been cut off from the sounds around him, and from normal communication. But there is great skill in his strong fingers, and in the three months he labored over his shiny aluminum racer he endowed it with the qualities of a champion.

And he demonstrated the same qualities when he calmly received the honors that came to him at the end of the race. We're proud of Eddie, proud that he'll go on now to represent the Lions Club and the Gazette at the national Derby in Akron—and take his first trip outside

the county when he does.

Nobody who saw Eddie cross that finish line could doubt that the best man won.

The fun started for Eddie on Wednesday evening, July 22, when he was the center of attraction at Hotel Marion, where the Little Rock Lions Club heaped prizes on Eddie and the 70 losers.

Eddie stood before Derby racers, Lion Clubbers and guests and said:

"I'll try to do my best at Akron. I wish you all could go with me."

Then he sat down to a thunderous applause.

After the banquet, Chevrolet and Lions Club officials gathered to make final arrangements for Eddie's trip to Akron, Ohio.

The Lions Club appointed Parks' 14-year-old son, Gilbert, as Eddie's escort to Akron. The Club had been stumped to find a suitable person to accompany Eddie and take part in the activities during their stay at Derbytown. Young Parks uses the deaf sign language and proved to be a fine companion for Eddie.

Together with Arkansas Gazette Staffer Andy Matula, Mr. Parks and Dr. Smith, they left Little Rock Wednesday, August 5, at 8:45 a.m. and flew to Akron, arriving there at 5:55 p.m. They returned Monday, August 10, after attending the Champion of Champions banquet following the All-American Derby August 9.

When stout little Eddie departed for



At left Eddie Hayse explains to Derby Director Doyle Colvert how he built his winning car. Interpreting for him is Roy G. Parks, superintendent of the Arkansas School for the Deaf, where Eddie is a student. The pictures of Eddie on these pages and on the cover were taken by Larry Obsitnik, of the Arkansas Gazette staff.

the All-American show at Derby Downs (seating capacity: 65,000) it was the longest ride of his life. For Eddie, who has been deaf since he was born, had never traveled farther than North Little Rock. By virtue of his Soap Box crown, he went farther in five minutes than he had in 15 years.

Though handicapped, Eddie didn't have a bit of trouble at the All-American. Chevrolet, which unloaded a huge chunk of money to see that more than 150 Derby champs have a week they will never forget, took care of that.

Eddie was treated like a king. He lived and played with other champs at Derbytown, the fabulous boys' paradise on the outskirts of Akron.

Eddie and his company visited the clubhouse of the Akron Club of the Deaf located on 144 East Exchange street. This is the club which sponsored the first National Basketball Tournament of the AAAD way back in 1945.

It was a tough break for Eddie as the train which shipped his racer to Akron damaged the rear wheel, and he bowed out in the first heat at the All-American finals. He, however, accepted his loss like a champion, which he was.

This 16th event was won by fretting Freddy Mohler, a nervous 14-year-old beanpole from Muncie, Ind. He marked up the five best times of the day. A record crowd sat through a series of showers over Derby Downs and watched Freddy edge a potent brother combination, Dale and Jon King of Los Angeles, in the final race. Mohler won by a half length in his second best time of the day — 27.87 seconds.

Over 150 boys from all over the United States, Alaska, Canada and Western Germany took part in the All-American finals. Boys in hometown races competed in two groups — Class A — 13 through 15 years and Class B — 11 through 12 years. A and B champions raced for city title. Every contestant in the All-American Soap Box Derby was a champion . . . there were no Class A or B groups in this event.

Eddie Hayse was one of the 151 city champs who received from the Chevrolet Motor Division a handsome 17-jewel Bulova wrist watch with special Soap Box Derby inscription, and his racing diploma, at the Banquet of Champions.

The champions also keep their All-American Soap Box Derby racing helmets, racing shirts and city flags as mementos of the greatest day of their lives.

The Deaf of America are proud of Eddie Hayse for he was the first deaf ever to win a city Soap Box Derby and to compete in the All-American finals. THE SILENT WORKER salutes him.

Philadelphia S.A.C. Takes Eastern Softball Title

By Hugh J. Cusack

The Philadelphia Silent Athletic Club cooped the Eastern Athletic Association of the Deaf softball diadem. On its march to the crown the only serious threat came from the Hartford club, which was defeated, 9-8. A seven-run first inning saved the Philadelphians. In all their games the SACs had at least one big inning — in the final game they had two, five in the first inning and seven in the last. But they really went to town in the rout of the Golden Tornadoes, the defending champions. Trailing 9-3 when they came to bat in the fourth, they scored 23 runs in the last three innings, 8-7-8.

The games of this third annual meet were well attended (Philadelphia hasn't had a flop once since it started sponsoring tourneys); the games were played on the Lighthouse Field, four games being played simultaneously; twelve teams took part.

As far as I know no all-star team was selected nor a most valuable player picked. My nominee for the latter would be John Bingham of the SAC, who pitched the three games and walloped two home runs.

Results:

Pelicans 27, Waterbury 21
Pittsburgh 19, Reading 7
Patterson 22, Bridgeport 9
Golden Tornadoes 18, Buffalo 8

Pelicans 9, Long Island 3
De Sales 15, Pittsburgh 13
Hartford 11, Patterson 3
Philadelphia 25, Golden Tornadoes 9

Reading 16, Waterbury 11
Buffalo 15, Bridgeport 13
Paterson 14, Golden Tornadoes 11
Pittsburgh 8, Long Island 6

Pelicans 12, De Sales 10
Philadelphia 9, Hartford 8

Buffalo 11, Reading 3
Pittsburgh 5, Paterson 4
De Sales 11, Hartford 9
Pittsburgh 13, Buffalo 4

Consolation Finals

Pittsburgh 1 1 0 1 1 2 0—6
De Sales 4 4 0 1 4 1 x—14

Championship Finals

Philadelphia 5 3 0 3 0 0 0—18
Pelicans 0 0 1 0 0 5 2—8

The following items were sent in by Emerson Romero of Farmingdale, Long Island, N.Y.:

The youthful team, the Pelicans Club of the Deaf of Brooklyn, N.Y., after walloping Waterbury and edging the Long Island team, looked like a sure winner. Its kid pitcher, "Smoky Joe" Wood, still in his teens, is probably the pitcher with the fastest ball in the East. He held the vaunted Long Island sluggers (they boasted a team batting average of .358 for 22 games) to two dinky

bingles, one of them being an easy pop fly to the infield which was lost in the sun.

Against the Philadelphians in the final, however, the kid must have suffered a case of nerves. His control was way off and he was as wild as anything seen around here all year. He walked six, and hit two batters in the very first inning, with the results the Phillies scored five times without getting a hit. In the second inning he walked three more, and hit two more, and these with two singles scored three times.

Philadelphia was leading, 11-1, going into the sixth inning, but the Pelicans came back with five runs to keep them in the game. However, the Pelicans' pitcher really blew up in the seventh when the Phillies tallied seven times on 5 walks, two hits and two errors.

The Pelicans outthit the Philadelphians, 9-7, but those 16 walks, 4 hit batsmen, and 4 errors told the story. The Philly pitcher, John Bingham, had much better control with only 6 walks widely scattered.

Carl Lorello, the star all-around athlete of the Golden Tornadoes Athletic Club, suffered a broken nose in a practice game the Wednesday before the tournament. This unfortunate accident robbed the Tornadoes of their star catcher and all around performer. Carl has, without doubt, the best throwing arm of any receiver in the tournament and on top of that is a reliable hitter and base runner.

New York seems to be the hot bed for softball teams. In every tourney so far, at least one team from New York has played in the finals. In 1951, the Long Island club finished as runner-up. In 1952 New York teams finished 1-2 with the Tornadoes winning and the Long Island club again runner-up. This year New York played two more teams, with the Pelicans runner-up and De Sales in third place.

The Golden Tornadoes will be the host club next year at the New York School for the Deaf in White Plains, N.Y. The Long Island club won the bid for the 1955 tournament.

Chairman Cecil Turner and his committee are to be congratulated on the fine job they did in putting over this third annual EAAD softball meet.

CORRECTION

Waldo Cornado, president of the Midwest Deaf Golf Association, has called our attention to the fact that the 1954 tournament of the Association will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and not in Milwaukee, as was reported in the August number of THE SILENT WORKER.

Southtown Still King of C.A.A.D. Softball

By Charles Whisman

Southtown Club of the Deaf of Chicago with its veteran line-up strengthened by the return of Donald Conner, Frank Rajski, and Richard Malone, Jr., swept to its sixth consecutive CAAD softball title when it won over Lincoln nine of Chicago on a forfeit, romped over the Chicago club, edged past the gallant Motor City team, and swarmed over the dark horse squad from Louisville. The fielding plays of the Southtown infielders helped the team to retain its softball mastery over the rest of the CAAD softball teams.

Thirteen teams entered the Tenth Annual Softball Tournament held at Indianapolis during the Labor Day week-end of September 4-6, 1953. All twelve teams were anxious to upset the favorite, Southtown, but the breaks continued to be on Southtown's side. The other teams will be back in 1954 to try to break Southtown's winning streak at Akron, Ohio.

Around 750 deaf fans swarmed all over Riverside Park to see twenty games played on six diamonds while only 350 went over to Municipal Stadium to see the last two games—the consolation final and the championship final. The sweltering 100 degree weather threatened to cut down the attendance but heavy rain on Thursday and Friday shattered the heat wave and made the remaining week-end days just right for softball competition.

Results:

Southtown 7, Lincoln 0 (Forfeit)
Dayton 7, Cincinnati 0 (Forfeit)
Akron 11, Cleveland 10
Louisville 10, Detroit 7
Indianapolis 18, South Bend 13

Southtown 15, Chicago 4
Motor City 9, Akron SRC 8
Dayton 23, Akron 5
Louisville 18, Indianapolis 3

Cincinnati 12, Lincoln 6
Cleveland 3, Detroit 1
Akron 8, Chicago 7
South Bend 7, Akron SRC 5
Cleveland 12, Cincinnati 0

Southtown 8, Motor City 2
Louisville 15, Dayton 4

Cleveland 12, Indianapolis 1
Akron 14, South Bend 6
Cleveland 6, Dayton 3
Motor City 3, Akron 2

CONSOLATION FINALS—Cleveland and Motor City played in a light rain to determine the third and fourth place winner of this year's CAAD tourney. Cleveland scored at will while Motor City wasn't able to recover from its last two games. Cleveland scored in every inning with totals of 4, 1, 2, 2, 2 and 4 runs to finish the game in the sixth inning, 15-5. Both teams made ten hits



Mrs. Evelyn Yolles of Milwaukee, presents the Lawrence N. Yolles Memorial Trophy in memory of her late husband to Herb Duermyer, champion of the Midwest Deaf Golfers. A traveling trophy, it passes on to the new winner after each annual tournament.

each but Motor City batters couldn't drive in the men left on bases. Three light outbursts of rain sent the players in and out of the field but it cleared up to let the last two important games be played and preserve the CAAD record of having no tourneys be postponed on account of rain.

CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS—The fans were eager to know if Louisville could stop the boys from Southtown but Beatty, pitching for Southtown, left no doubts as to who would win when he allowed only three hits and one run. His teammates gathered in 13 hits to score 13 runs to keep the CAAD championship trophy at home. Southtown's big inning was in the fifth, when all nine players helped to get 4 hits and 5 runs. Donald Cummins hit a triple to drive in 3 runs and in the 6th inning doubles by Bruno Franco, Wallis Beatty, Stanley Kwiatt and Sidney Kogen scored 3 more runs. Louisville escaped a shutout when Dean Pudlowski got a single, advanced to third and then scored on a wild pitch.

S. Robey Burns, president of the CAAD, and Charles E. Whisman, vice-president of the AAAD, helped to give out the individual awards. Players singled out for such awards were:

1B—BARRY SCHULZ, Motor City. He had 6 hits in 14 attempts and had no errors charged against him. Byron Mancuso of Cleveland and Harold Medley of Akron were other fine first basemen in this tourney.

2B—JOE CARRICO, Louisville. He won this award on his hitting, 9 hits in 16 times at bat. He was closely pressed by Frank Rajski of Southtown and Harold Jordan of Dayton.

3B—RICHARD VOLANSKY of Southtown. He won on his fine defensive plays at the hot corner but was challenged by veteran Frank Salvo of Cleveland and newcomer Alfred Bahr from Louisville.

SS—WILLIAM GRAF, Motor City. A veteran of all ten CAAD tourneys, he remained in good condition to get 9 hits in 14 tries and helped to drive in important runs with a double and a home run. Edwin Opatrny of Cleveland

and Richard Stelzer of Dayton gave fine performances.

LF—LESLIE MASSEY, Indianapolis. He was up 12 times and got 8 hits and handled 8 put outs with no errors. Eugene Bordean of Akron and Vaughn Seward of Louisville did splendid fielding and hitting work.

CF—WILLARD HARPER, Southtown. He played in only three games but his hitting and base running were a big help in Southtown's victories. John Hayes, Jr., of Akron and Bill Travarca of Cleveland were well recommended, too.

RF—BILL SANDERS, Dayton. He was chosen for his utility role in which he did well as an outfielder, infielder and catcher. He got 5 hits in 10 attempts, including a triple and a home run.

C—RICHARD GAWLIK, Cleveland. He is rapidly becoming one of the all-time CAAD greats with his splendid catching of the fast Cleveland pitchers and his tremendous hitting. Other fine catchers were Donald Slater of South Bend and Harvey Ellerhorst of Detroit.

P—HOWARD SHUPING, Cleveland. He has been pitching in many tourneys but this was his year to settle down and win three important Cleveland games. He beat Detroit, 3-1, Indianapolis, 12-1, and Motor City, 15-5. Wallis Beatty of Southtown and Victor Zuchengo of Akron did good pitching chores.

Sportsmanship award—ROY CONNER, Dayton. He was a big factor in leading his Dayton boys to new tourney glory with his pleasant smiles and encouragement. He was always willing to help his boys or any of the opponents in their troubles. Lowell Smith of Indianapolis and Harvey Ellerhorst of Detroit were fine sportsmanship examples, but on the whole everyone did a yeoman job of playing fair and square.

Most Valuable Player—RICHARD GAWLIK. He caught in all of Cleveland's six games and was charged with only two mishaps. He had five hits and scored six times but his most remarkable hit was his home run that drove in three runs to beat Dayton, 6-3.

The tournament committee of the Indianapolis Deaf Club led by Walton Jones managed another successful CAAD Softball Tournament. Other members of the committee were Robert Thixton, Leroy Turner, George Kessler, Leslie Massey, Estil Barrv, Edgar Lloyd, Albert Rhodes and Lowell Smith.

Eli Conley Akin Writes History of Athletics at Tennessee School for the Deaf

Eli Conley Akin, director of athletics at the Tennessee School for the Deaf, has written a thesis entitled "A History of Athletics at the Tennessee School for the Deaf." This is a problem which he has submitted to the Graduate Council of the University of Tennessee in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Master of Science, with a major in Physical Education.

This thesis has 118 pages and gives us the benefit of Mr. Akin's wide research. We are glad to have a copy of this thesis as we find it a very valuable text.

This paper is primarily concerned with the history of athletics at the Tennessee School for the Deaf. To a lesser extent, the areas of recreation, physical education, and the athletic association are also discussed.

The major problem in gathering factual information was the lack of accurate available records, although enough records were found in the files of *The Silent Observer* (now *The Tennessee Observer*, official publication of the school) to encourage Mr. Akin to undertake this problem.

During his life at the school as a student from 1920 to 1933 and as an athletic coach and physical education instructor since 1938 Mr. Akin has been rather confused by a mixture of facts, legends, unverified hearsay, half-truths,

guesses, and opinions. An attempt is made to clarify any questionable information by obtaining verified facts from acceptable sources. The main purpose is to develop a comprehensive and thorough record for future reference.

The sources, both primary and secondary, which have, Mr. Akin believes, offered data necessary for the exactness and validity of the history are as follows:

A. Primary

1. Files of *The Silent Observer* and *The Tennessee Observer*.
2. Files of the local newspapers.
3. Official schedules and results on file in the principal's office starting a few years back.
4. Trophies on display at the school.

B. Secondary

1. Recollections of "old timers" such as retired coaches, teachers, other employees, alumni, players, fans and opponents.
2. 100th Anniversary 1845-1945 of the Tennessee School for the Deaf.
3. *The Volunteer* (Class annual of the University of Tennessee).
4. *The Viking* (Class annual of the Tennessee School for the Deaf).

The chapters cover introduction and organization of athletics, football, boys basketball, girls basketball, baseball, track and field, miscellany, appendix and bibliography.



E. CONLEY AKIN

Akin is a graduate of Gallaudet College and has been coach and director of physical education at the Tennessee School for several years. He has consistently turned out outstanding teams, some of which have been recognized as the best in the nation.

In the next issue of *THE SILENT WORKER* Mr. Akin will give you a history of football at the Tennessee School for the Deaf.

You will find therein the record of football at the school from the time it was started in 1892, condensed from Akin's chapter on football, which covered 27 pages. So extensive is Akin's coverage that you will even find record of a game with a Girls High School. Watch for it!



How many of you can remember the faces of these players of 38 years ago as pictured above? Standing: Earl Bell, Dewey Coats, Coach Frank Lux, John Lowe, Dewitt Hannah, Holland Unger and Porter Williams. Seated—Luther Conaway, Ralph Hutchings, Charles Athy, Floyd Keathley, Harold Jordan and Paul Elliott. These were the players of the 1915 Arkansas School for the Deaf baseball team which won the state high school baseball championship. (See *THE SILENT WORKER* for November 1952 for story of sports at the Arkansas school.)

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August Cash Income	434.93
August Expenses	1,463.51
Balance in General Fund, August 20, 1953	6,246.17

Report From the Home Office

GRAND SLAM OF THE YEAR! SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOC. OF THE DEAF CONVENTION held in Charleston, S. C., on August 6 - 9, 1953, was a whopper. N.A.D.'s George Kannapell and Dave Peikoff returned from it loaded with \$3,938.00 in cash and pledges. Of this amount \$1,082.00 was in cash. WOW — WHAT SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY!

TEXAS ASSOC. OF THE DEAF held their Convention in Waco this month. No "bum steer" from the Texans, either, for through the efforts of Bd. Mbr. Fred Murphy, N.A.D. drove \$416.00 worth of memberships and pledges onto the N.A.D. range.

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Question of This Month:

What are the advantages and disadvantages of your having deaf prents?

Maybe I am just being prejudiced for my parents, but I'm afraid that I can't discern any really important advantages or disadvantages of having deaf parents. There are, of course, small differences which soon disappear in any well balanced family.

However, I don't feel that my upbringing has been any different from that of my friends with hearing parents.

ALMER JACOBS ALLMAN,
Oakland, California.

My parents were always studious. My mother, Nettie Dickens Palmer, was what one might say "self-educated." Her parents took her from school long before she was due to graduate and never sent her back. My mother studied along with me all through the years I was in school as a student. She always loved to read and gain useful information. Her keen interests inspired me.

My father, Louis Arthur Palmer, was a real student and scholar. As far back as I can remember, he was always reading some good material or else was writing. He was more partial to fingerspelling than to the language of signs, for, as he often explained, fingerspelling did more justice to the beauty of the English language. I must confess that as a child, I frequently grew impatient as he fingerspelled long and arduously on some deep subject and insisted that I see his dissertation in its entirety. Now, I realize how important fingerspelling is to the deaf pupil.

Our family home always seemed to have been a favorite place for the deaf to visit. My parents were most hospitable. Their numerous callers were from all walks of life, which over the years, I feel, gave me quite a clear overall picture of the deaf and their various problems. All these insights . . . have helped me to a great extent to understand my deaf pupils and have provided strong reasons for attempting to point my boys and girls to the best things of life.

JULIA PALMER TRENHAM,
Oakland, California.

Because we have been around the deaf all our lives, we have never really considered this question until now.

As far as advantages are concerned, it seems that because our parents cannot appreciate music, most moving pictures and things of that sort, they are all the more anxious for us to have as wide a knowledge as possible about them. However, it is a disadvantage to us because

we cannot share many of our enjoyments with them.

One of the big problems in our family, because we all love to talk, is the matter of speaking to one another. As we cannot talk to one another from one room to another, it sometimes presents a problem. Because they can't speak on telephones and don't speak as much in public when we are with them, it has helped us a great deal to be self-reliant. This has put us much more at ease with people.

We are thankful to them, because through them we have really learned to know and love the deaf.

We are exceedingly lucky to have the parents we do, at least that's our opinion. God gave them to us and we wouldn't change them for anything in the world.

DONNA AND MARY JANE GOODE,
Oakland, California.

. . . I probably just took my parents for granted, as children usually do, and their being deaf did not seem to make any difference to me one way or another. My childhood was a normal, happy one — any minor "disadvantages" were far outweighed by the "advantages." My parents were probably the ones to feel the need or lack—not I.

As a child, there may have been times that I wished I could phone home to ask permission for various things, instead of always having to be home right on the dot, so my folks wouldn't worry. That is just an example of how *minor* any disadvantage could be. My friends always conspired among themselves to accomplish the miraculous feat of fingerspelling and put it to good use in talking to my parents who, in turn, thus knew my friends far better than many hearing parents know the playmates of their own children.

Teachers in the public schools usually take a more personal interest in children of deaf parents, once they learn the intriguing fact that deaf people can and do have normal children. Of course, when I was in school I didn't appreciate this interest, but now, looking back, I think it was an advantage which the average hearing child did not always have.

EDITH LONG STEVENSON,
Berkeley, California.

Emil Ladner, a very close deaf friend of mine, once told me that I was the "deafest" hearing person he knew and I

attribute that compliment to having deaf parents. Growing up in a deaf environment has made the problems of the deaf my problems . . .

Several friends of mine have considered it disadvantageous to have deaf parents. It has been expressed, for example, that such a family as a group do not carry on a conversation as freely as a hearing family would. This simply is ignorance of the ease with which it is possible to express oneself by any of the various means of communication . . . and sometimes ignorance of the intellectual level possible for deaf people to attain.

What some people consider a disadvantage, we do not. We accept whatever situation results from deafness and simply act on it as any family normally would. Since I feel as one of the deaf, there is no disadvantage in having deaf parents. It is the outsider who is at a disadvantage.

RALPH F. NEESAM,
Berkeley, Calif.

There are definitely both advantages and disadvantages in having deaf parents; however, the advantages are greater.

The biggest disadvantage of having deaf parents is having to face the intolerant attitudes of others toward them, and especially the cruel teasing of childhood acquaintances.

One of the main advantages of being a child of deaf parents is that it trains one to be more independent, self-reliant, and able to accept responsibility more easily.

One of the most important advantages to me is that it has enabled me to enter the teaching profession more fully equipped to understand its problems and needs.

MARY STONE,
Berkeley, Calif.

Your question of the month took me by surprise as I have never thought of myself as having any real advantages or disadvantages.

As I look back, I realize I missed the usual discussions that took place at meal time or in the evenings when there were deaf guests. But on the other hand, if there were hearing guests, perhaps I was getting an education acting as an interpreter. There were times when I probably thought I had a very great advantage with deaf parents, for, after all, no one could hear me leave by the bedroom window when I was supposed to be in bed. Fifteen years later, I find the advantage was not with deaf parents but understanding parents. They knew all the time that that window was my back door.

WALTER LESTER, JR.,
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